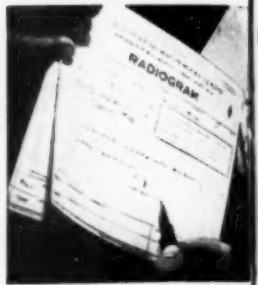


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# THE EDITOR'S MILL

AS FAR back as any of us can remember in amateur radio, our biggest practical problem has been the interference caused by congestion. Perhaps more than any other factor it has been responsible for keeping us alert technically and cooperative in our operating practices. It still exists as our big problem and it seems that it must always get a good share of our thought and attention.

There are three possible solutions to the amateur interference problem. Most obvious, and undoubtedly most popular with the average amateur, would be more territory. Indeed, this probably constitutes the only 100% solution, for provided we got an infinite amount of space we could operate without interference regardless of punk technical practices and worse operating. Unfortunately, from the practical aspect this particular solution is one of the most difficult to achieve, as most of us know only too well. The League is hammering away at the problem, but in any event we will have to make out with our present territory for the next five years, so in considering ways and means for more immediate relief we must seek elsewhere.

The next most obvious solution is technical improvements, to enable us to work more stations in a given space. Amateur technical progress the past five years has been amazing. One of the League's jobs is to keep our technical ability ahead of the existing situation, and that the QST technical staff has shown us how to do. Highly selective receivers and stable transmitters with good notes are the order of the day. The single-signal superheterodyne, the tri-tet exciter unit, new tubes, superior phone circuits, better power supplies and radiating systems and modern monitoring: there is no comparison with our technical status of five years ago.

But still we have interference, which leads us to an examination of our third remedy: the use of a little more intelligence and cooperation in our operating practices.

More than either of the others, this last method of attack is up to you fellows, as individual amateurs. Were we compelled to spread ourselves throughout all our amateur holdings, each of us staying in a small assigned bailiwick, probably there would be comfortable room for every existing amateur station in our present territory. Of course we can't do that, and this is a free country in which every fellow has the right to try everything that is reasonable. But it seems to us that there is room for the application of a great deal more intelligence than we use to-day, when with no necessity for it we all try to get on about the same frequency and do the same things at the same time. One of the most foolish things we do is to use any old band for any old distance, if it will work. Of course it's fun (and that's why we are radio amateurs) but it isn't a very sensible thing to do when it badly increases the interference in our bands. Too many of us work on only one or two bands and don't change often enough. As a matter of principle we ought to be able to use more bands and, within rather broad limits, for each distance that we work we ought to select the band that will lay down the best signal with the least power. By all that is sensible, there ought to be in every amateur station a device for reducing the power, after contact is established, to that which just gives comfortable communication—and instead, like senseless galoots, we're all striving to be QSA5 R9 at every point on the globe simultaneously! Again allowing every opportunity for free choice, amateur radio offers so many facets that the diversification of individual activities, with resultant diversification of operating hours, ought to be practiced for its own merits as well as being a positive relief to the interference situation. There are many other things that might be mentioned, things that QST has preached for many years but which still apply: Clean the whiskers off of your signals; the rest of us now demand it. Although friendly intercourse is the very breath of ham radio, remember to be considerate of others. Cut out the long calls; if the fellow tunes to you, he'll hear a short call; if he doesn't tune to you, he'll never hear you in a million years. Use break-in; it's about the best-known interference minimizer but its chief merit is that it's swell sport. One of the dumbest things we hams do is pile on top of each other, six deep, at the low-frequency end of our harmonic family, simply for the sake of being able to double into the successively narrower high-frequency bands — leaving large green pastures of relatively open space in the middle portion of the band. One simple escape from the fantastic snarl of QRM which decorates our low-frequency edges is to blow yourself to an additional crystal for one of those frequencies in the less-congested central part of the band that does not double into a higher band. It is still a good com-

municating frequency and if it is more difficult to raise a QSO from such a frequency it only proves that we haven't yet organized our operations as intelligently as we might.

Amateur radio is often spoken of as a many-mooded mistress, all things to all men. We should know her better than we do. In the infinite variety of her charms there is increasing joy. And from the practical ham standpoint, by diversification of activity and the application of a little common sense, there is relief from much needless interference.

K. B. W.

## Strays

From W2DTE comes a clipping from one of the New York papers in which the radio "expert" advises an anxious reader that blue glow in an 83 is a sign of gas and indicates a defective tube that should be replaced!

To prevent ruining a 59 should the crystal in a Tri-tet oscillator refuse to "go," Clyde B. Trevey of Beaumont, Texas, suggests connecting a flash-light cell in series with the grid lead to provide a little fixed bias. Without this protection the screen is likely to get hot and cause abnormal plate current to flow, especially if the screen voltage is much over the recommended 100 volts.

Keeping up with the "midget" spirit of the times, W9LWB has a miniature QSL card. Measuring a little less than 2 by 3½ inches, it's just about the size of the ordinary calling card.

It seems that silvering is not the only way to lower the frequency of a crystal. W6QF, wanting to shift to a slightly lower frequency in the 75-meter 'phone band, rubbed his 160-meter crystal gently with aluminum powder, cleaned off the edges, and found that the second harmonic had shifted six kilocycles, which was plenty to clear a heterodyne.

## Magnetic Materials at Radio Frequencies

Recent revival of interest in the use of radio-frequency transformers having magnetic rather than the more usual non-magnetic (air) cores has directed particular attention to late developments in high-permeability materials for use in r.f. transformers. An impartial survey of the present knowledge of magnetic materials and compositions has been made by a sub-committee of the Radio Research Board of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, of Great Britain. The results of this survey are given in thorough and comprehensive fashion in Radio Research Special Report No. 14, "Magnetic Materials at Radio Frequencies," by F. M. Colebrook. Copies of this report are obtainable from the British Library of Information, 270 Madison Ave., New York, at 17 cents each.

W9LQE spent a few sleepless nights wondering why a supposedly good r.f. choke wouldn't do its stuff in his final amplifier, only to discover later that the choke was OK when the milliammeter behind it was shorted out. Things returned to normal when one of the choke pies was short-circuited to compensate for the added inductance of the meter. A by-pass from the "cold" end of the choke to ground or across the meter terminals should also cure troubles of this sort.

An automobile headlight bulb makes a cheap substitute for an antenna ammeter, having such low inductance that the tuning of the antenna circuit is not disturbed. The 15-candle-power size is about right for a 10 with 50 watts input. An old stunt—but it may be overlooked now and then.

—W1BTG

### LI'L' BRASS KEY

(You know the tune)

My rig and I live all alone  
Right upstairs, where we hold our own.  
I pound brass from morn till night,  
And the way I work is sure a fright.  
Hiyi, Hiyi, you and me,  
Li'l' brass key, don't I love thee!

The signals roam to who knows where,  
Maybe here and maybe there.  
If an Aussie hears it, goodness me,  
I'll be as happy as can be.  
Hiyi, Hiyi, you and me,  
Li'l' brass key, don't I love thee!

I call ZL's and Aussies too,  
But no matter what or who,  
I can ne'er an answer get,  
ALL I do is sit and fret.  
Hiyi, Hiyi, you and me,  
Li'l' brass key, don't I love thee!

Once a guy was calling me,  
I was as happy as could be,  
But when the poor soul gave his call  
As W9-, 'twas nothin' a'tall.  
Hiyi, Hiyi, you and me,  
Li'l' brass key, don't I love thee!

I called an "X" the other day,  
He came back as if to say,  
What a note, boy, what a note!  
Sounds like a frog wid a clogged up throat!  
Hi hi Hiyi, you and me,  
Li'l' brass key, don't I love thee!

I've also called some FY2's,  
But of course I went and blew a fuse,  
I threw the pliers at Ye Olde Two Ten,  
Called it a day and left the den.  
Hiyi, Hiyi, you and me,  
Dern old rig, you frustrate me!

—W9EG



# Increased Radiating Efficiency for Short Antennas

## A Tuned-Top System for Amateur Frequencies

By R. B. Dome\*

Antennas necessarily foreshortened because of the space limitations that afflict many amateur installations are a real handicap to station performance. Although the problem has received occasional attention, no particular design of predictable performance that could be applied generally has heretofore been available to hamdom. The novel system of tuned loading developed by a fellow amateur, W2ETH, and described by Mr. Dome in this article, therefore is welcomed as a promising solution of one of our most vexing problems. The development should be of interest to every amateur.—EDITOR

OPERATING at 80 and 160 meters where space is limited, usually results in the necessity of increasing the transmitter power to make up for the low efficiency of the antenna installed in the restricted area. Such practice is wasteful of power and equipment besides being much more expensive initially. It is the purpose of this paper to describe a new method of tuning relatively short antennas to render them as effective radiators as possible for their height.

The inefficiency of short radiators results from two causes: First, the relatively high ground connection losses caused by the passage of relatively large current into the earth whose resistance is usually high in amateur installations where good grounds are hard to obtain; and second, the vertical field pattern is such that the ground-wave to sky-wave ratio is relatively low, resulting in the transmission of power in directions not generally useful.

The first cause of inefficiency is much more important. Let us consider the case of a simple

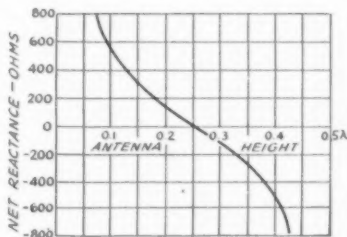


FIG. 1—NET REACTANCE REQUIRED AT TOP OF ANTENNA TO CAUSE CURRENT NODE AT BASE

vertical wire antenna  $\lambda/8$  in height. Its radiation resistance is 6.8 ohms and the ground resistance, let us say, is 10 ohms. Let other losses be con-

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sidered negligible. For every 100 watts of power fed into the antenna, then,  $\frac{10}{10 + 6.8} \times 100$  or 59.5 watts are wasted in the ground, while only 40.5 watts are radiated. Now if we should by some means increase the radiation resistance referred to the base of the antenna to 200 ohms, we would find the power wasted would be but  $\frac{10}{200 + 10} \times 100 = 4.75$  watts and the power radiated 95.25

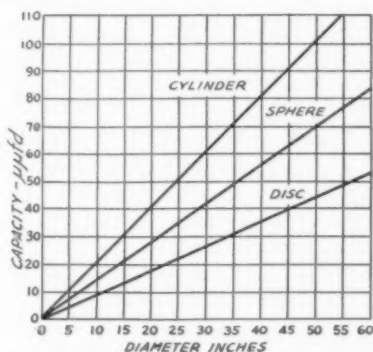


FIG. 2—CAPACITANCE OF SPHERE, DISC, AND CYLINDER (CYLINDER HEIGHT=DIAMETER) AS A FUNCTION OF THEIR DIAMETERS

watts. The radiated power has more than doubled and the field strength increased to 164% of its first value. It is seen that it is very much worthwhile, then, to increase the base radiation resistance; or, in other words, to lower the current in the ground lead.

The first expedient, and one which has been practiced commonly, is to erect a flat top on the antenna. The current is no longer zero at the top of the vertical section as it formerly was. The current at the base has been decreased somewhat, indicating that the base radiation resistance has increased. The ground losses will be less and the

useful radiated power thereby increased. It is seen that if we could go all the way, and reduce the ground current to zero, all of the power put into the system would be radiated. It is the purpose of the system of antenna construction described here to achieve this condition practically.

#### TUNED TOP DESIGN AND ADJUSTMENT

A study of transmission line theory shows us that we must provide at the top of the vertical wire a suitable reactance to space so that the current distribution may be such as to obtain a current node at the earth. This reactance consists of a series inductance and capacity of the proper values to satisfy the equation

$$Z_2 = j Z_0 \cot \theta = j(\omega L - \frac{1}{\omega C}) \quad (1)$$

where

$Z_2$  = top reactance

$Z_0$  = antenna surge impedance

$\theta$  = electrical length of the vertical section (in degrees)

$L$  = inductance at top

$C$  = capacity at top

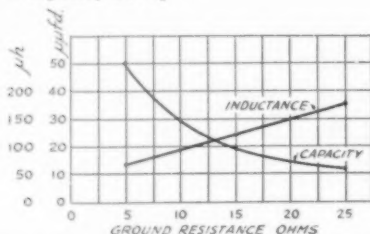


FIG. 3—CAPACITY AND INDUCTANCE REQUIRED AT TOP OF 3750-KC. ANTENNA FOR VARIOUS GROUND RESISTANCES TO REALIZE 75% OF MAXIMUM POSSIBLE SIGNAL STRENGTH WHEN USING INDUCTANCES WITH 0.005 POWER FACTOR

$$\omega = 2\pi f, (f \text{ in cycles per sec.})$$

This equation is presented in graphical form in Fig. 1 for  $Z_0 = 400$  ohms, which corresponds to a

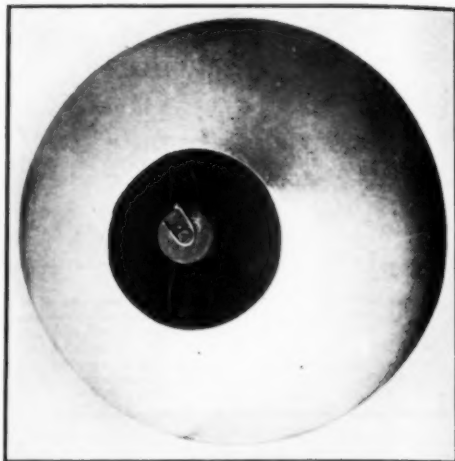


FIG. 4—CLOSE-UP BOTTOM VIEW OF SPHERE WITH COIL MOUNTED WITHIN IT, FOR PROTECTION AGAINST WEATHER, AT AMATEUR STATION W2ETH

wire 0.1 inch in diameter. This curve will serve closely enough for the average installation where the wire size is anywhere from No. 6 to No. 14. The curve shows the reactance required from the top of the antenna to space for antennas of heights up to a half-wave length.

The capacity part of the reactance is conveniently made up of a sphere, a disc, or a cylinder of metal. The capacities of these bodies may be easily calculated from these formulas:

1. Sphere  $C = 0.56 d. \mu\text{pfd.}$
2. Disc  $C = 0.354 d. \mu\text{pfd.}$
3. Cylinder  $C = 0.802 d. \mu\text{pfd.}$

where  $d$  = diameter in centimeters. The cylinder is also  $d$  in height. One inch being equal to 2.54 centimeters, the capacity of a 20-inch sphere would be

$$C = 0.556 \times 20 \times 2.54 = 28.2 \mu\text{pfd.}$$

TABLE I (3750 kc.)

Ground Resistance Ohms	Coil Diam. Inches	Wire Size B & S Gauge	No. of Turns	Length of Winding Inches	Inductance Micro-henrys
25	2.5	20	90	6	178
15	3.5	14	64	8.5	122
5	9	0.25" tubing	29	20	70

TABLE II (1875 kc.)

Ground Resistance Ohms	Coil Diam. Inches	Wire Size B & S Gauge	No. of Turns	Length of Winding Inches	Inductance Micro-henrys
25	5	14	90	12	356
15	7	8	64	17	244
5	18	0.25" tubing	29	40	140

TABLE III (7150 kc.)

Ground Resistance Ohms	Coil Diam. Inches	Wire Size B & S Gauge	No. of Turns	Length of Winding Inches	Inductance Micro-henrys
25	1.31	25	90	3.15	93.5
15	1.85	19	64	4.5	64
5	4.75	3/16" tubing	29	10.5	36.8

The turns are spaced a wire diameter except those wound with tubing. A clip is provided for changing the inductance by shorting out turns from the end connected to the sphere.



Fig. 2 shows these capacities graphically for various diameters.

Where a sphere of inconvenient dimensions would be called for, a disc may be substituted conveniently. The wind resistance of a disc is almost negligible in comparison with the wind resistance of the equivalent sphere or cylinder. The spheres, discs, or cylinders need not be solid bodies, however, but may be made up of screening, well-soldered, or of a network of wires.

In order that losses in the inductance be kept within reasonable limits, the minimum size of the sphere required is quite definite. With inductances of 0.005 power factor (a reasonably good coil), the size of the capacitor should be at least as large as the one shown in Fig. 3. Of course the body may be made larger with improved results if desired. This curve is based on obtaining 75% of the ideal signal strength improvement possible for grounds of various resistances. It is very nearly exact for all heights of antennas. The curves are for 3750 kc., and twice these capacities must be used for 1875 kc.

The inductance value required is computed from (1), and Fig. 3 shows the inductance required when using the minimum capacity as shown in the same figure. This curve is for 3750 kc., twice this inductance being required for 1875 kc.

The inductance coil must be made as low-loss as possible, and may be conveniently placed within the sphere for protection against the weather, as shown in Fig. 4. The coil may be designed from well-known formulas or from charts which have appeared from time to time in various periodicals, textbooks and handbooks. The secrets to low-loss construction are: (1) Use of a good-sized wire or tubing;

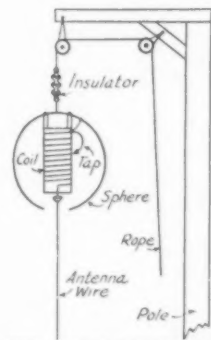


FIG. 5—CONNECTION DIAGRAM FOR TOP OF ANTENNA

to reduce dielectric losses; (3) making the physical size of the coil as large as convenient. A convenient diameter form is one about one-fourth the sphere diameter.

Tables I, II and III give the design data for

coils which will go within the spheres specified in Fig. 3 and correspond to the inductance values of that figure.

The diagram of connection at the top is shown in Fig. 5. An overall view of a completed antenna is shown in Fig. 6, this being the installation of C. A. Nickle, W2ETH, Schenectady, N. Y., the inventor of the antenna.



FIG. 6—THE TUNED-TOP VERTICAL ANTENNA INSTALLATION AT AMATEUR STATION W2ETH

The antenna should be tuned in the following way: First, make upfield intensity measuring equipment consisting of a battery-operated diode-rectifier, or a crystal rectifier, and couple this to a receiving antenna located about 300 to 1000 feet away from the transmitting antenna. A milliammeter should be provided for obtaining readings. In case no low reading milliammeter is available, a medium range d.c. voltmeter will sometimes give a good indication. As a last resort, a radio receiving set may be used as a measuring device, although care should be taken to see that no adjustments are made throughout the test which might affect the sensitivity.

Starting with zero turns in the coil, increase the turns one by one, recording the field strength obtained from each adjustment.

A point will be reached where a sudden drop in field strength is observed. The maximum field strength is found to occur just before this drop. It is well to leave the antenna coil adjusted a turn or so fewer than the maximum point. During this test care should be taken to see that the output of the transmitter is kept constant by always loading to the same plate current. The frequency likewise must not be allowed to vary. The latter may be checked against a standard oscillator by the heterodyne method. It will be found that a good coupling and tuning circuit at the base of the antenna, for the adjustment at the top for maximum signal strength, is a simple parallel tuned circuit, one side connected to the antenna and the other to ground. If an ammeter is used to indicate current, it should be placed in the antenna lead-in.

#### LINEAR TUNING

An alternative method of obtaining the inductance required is to make use of the properties of a transmission line. With an antenna system constructed as shown in Fig. 7a, it has been found that a position for the jumper *J* can be found which will give a maximum field strength. Note that no coil is used, the inductance looking into

the line A-B being the inductance required. However, this holds only for antennas approximately a quarter-wave long. For antennas less than a quarter-wave but greater than an eighth, the jumper *J* must be replaced by a good inductance

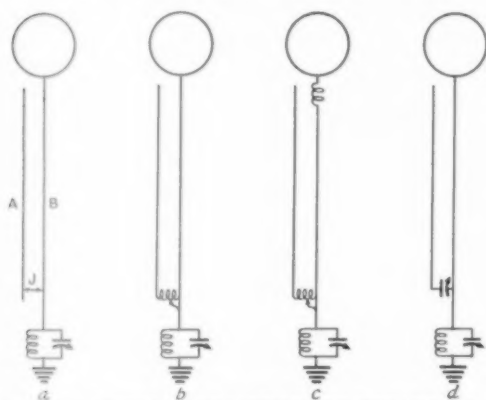


FIG. 7—ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF OBTAINING SERIES INDUCTANCE

tance which is adjustable. This is shown in Fig. 7b. For antennas less than an eighth-wave, the inductance is best split into two parts as shown in Fig. 7c. Note that all of these methods permit easy adjustment from the ground. Fig. 7d shows the jumper *J* replaced by a variable capacitor; this arrangement is used for antennas between a quarter and three-eighths wave in length. For antennas from three-eighths to a half-wave, nothing other than the capacitor at the top is needed.

Fig. 8 shows the results of a test made on 7150 kc. Curve 1 is for a simple wire showing field strength vs. height of antenna for constant transmitter power. Curve 2 is for the same wire but with a 12-inch diameter sphere at its top with no inductance. Curve 3 is for the same sphere carefully tuned, with a series inductance, for maximum field strength. Note that the inductances and capacities required for 7150 kc. are 52.5% of those shown for 3750 kc. in Fig. 3.

The principles outlined here may be expanded in several directions. For instance, the inductance-capacitor combination may be used at the ends of horizontal doublets to increase their electrical lengths where physical lengths are restricted due to space limitation. Also, a sphere may be used at the lower end of a vertical antenna that must be operated where it is impossible to use a ground, as in mobile equipment.

While the writer has confined his description to the case where the current is reduced to a minimum at the base, W2ETH has found that an adjustment which gives equal current at the top and bottom of the antenna is desirable for some conditions. This adjustment is made using the same equipment as described, except that not

quite so much inductance is used as for the case where the current node is at the base. The angle of radiation is slightly higher for this adjustment. On the other hand, by increasing the inductance beyond the point required for minimum current at the base, the radiation can be made largely sky wave with but little ground wave. Such an adjustment will lessen local interference and will cause the reflected wave from the Heaviside layer to come to earth at a point closer to the transmitter and thereby improve transmission at an

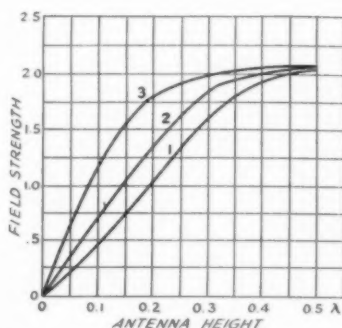


FIG. 8—FIELD STRENGTH IN HORIZONTAL DIRECTION OBTAINED WITH WIRE ANTENNAS OF VARIOUS HEIGHTS OPERATING (1) WITH NO LOADING; (2) WITH A 12-INCH SPHERE AT TOP; (3) WITH TUNED SPHERE AT TOP

Frequency, 7150 kc.

intermediate distance. The attenuation over longer distances, however, will be greater and this type of radiation therefore is restricted in its usefulness.

## Strays

With reference to the "wired wireless" suggestion on page 62 of July *QST*, W2BRB writes that the following circuit constants have been found satisfactory for work over a distance of several hundred feet:

Coil—400 turns No. 30 on 2-inch diameter form.

Load tap (to line) 70 turns from ground.

Cathode tap 90 turns from ground.

Load condenser—0.05- $\mu$ fd. paper condenser.

The 33, 38, 47, 2A5, and 59 tubes have been found to be satisfactory. R.f. pentode types do not work as well as the audio tubes. The energy radiated into space is very small—no more than that radiated by an oscillating detector. At the low frequency used no interference will be caused by the fundamental but occasionally a harmonic may land on a local broadcast channel. In such a case a slight shift in frequency will move it to a less objectionable spot.

# Firing Up on the Newly-Opened Ultra-High Frequencies

Some Successful Experimental Gear for 2½ and 1¼ Meters

By Ross A. Hull\*

FOR many years past, we amateurs have had only two ultra-high frequency bands in which to work. The five-meter band, of course, has been the scene of much splendidly successful experiment and communication. The three-quarter-meter band, however, has been virtually unavailable to the ham because of the lack of special tubes operable there.

All that is changed. The ham may now roam with fixed, portable or mobile equipment on any frequencies above 110 megacycles, and many of these frequencies are attainable with ordinary tubes in ordinary circuits. It seems certain that these new ultra-high frequencies will soon be swarming with amateur signals.

Our first bit of experiment in the new frequencies has revealed very forcibly the enormity of the territory available. It would certainly seem that we are to experience many difficulties in finding each other's signals unless we decide on some particular slices of frequencies for the first work. One plan which looks perfectly practical is to set aside two bands harmonically related to the present 56-mc. band and concentrate our activity in them for the time being. The first one would be 112 to 120 mc. ("two and a half-meter band")—the second one, 224 to 240 mc. ("one and a quarter-meter band").

Ordinary tubes can be made to work in both these bands and both of them offer tremendous possibilities for short-haul rag-chewing and experiment.

## NEW GEAR OR OLD?

Our first thought in preparing to cook up some experimental gear for these bands was that maybe

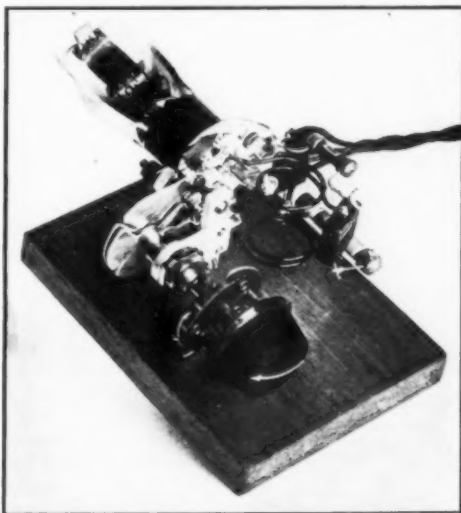
we could modify some of the existing 56-mc. apparatus for the new job. As a result, we wound new coils for a standard transceiver and, after much struggling, obtained fairly satisfactory operation on 112 mc. It soon became obvious, though, that an entire re-arrangement of the oscillator portion would be necessary for really successful work even on that band—let alone the 224-mc. band. The high minimum capacity of the shunt tuning condenser used in most 56-mc. sets and the long leads used in the r.f. circuits made it almost impossible to get any appreciable concentrated inductance in the tank circuit. We do not suggest for a moment that it will be im-

possible to rig transceivers and the like so that operation can be had in both the 56- and 112-mc. bands. We only know that the problem needs more attention than we have given it.

## OSCILLATORS FOR 112 MC.

The next step was to see just what a really effective 112-mc. oscillator would look like. To do this, about a dozen different oscillators were built. The first was a tuned-grid tuned-plate arrangement using a 53 and linear tanks tuned with a sliding bridge on both grid and plate tanks. Fig. 1 shows the circuit. The plate tank consisted of two copper rods seven inches long soldered directly to the

two plate lugs on the 53 socket. The bridge was a piece of spring brass bent over the rods to give good contact. Experiment with the grid tank showed that a piece of wire bent into a "U" shape with 1-inch sides was about right. The arrangement worked well, but very careful adjustment of the r.f. choke was found necessary. With the choke turns spaced more or



AN EXPERIMENTAL TRANSMITTER OR RECEIVER FOR OPERATION BETWEEN 112 AND 120 MC.

A simple, low-powered unit built to prove that conventional circuits will still do a satisfactory job in the new ham territory.

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less than a certain degree the entire arrangement, power leads and all, constituted a powerful 20-meter oscillator. The circuit was, of course, unsuited for receiving because of tuning difficulties. Even the smallest tuning condenser across the two plates pulled down the permissible inductance seriously.

The next attempt was with the unity-coupled rig of Fig. 2. The plate coil was of  $\frac{1}{4}$ -inch tubing 2 inches outside diameter and this, hitched directly to the two plate lugs of the tube socket provided oscillation on about 112 mc. Again we bumped into the tuning problem. One partial solution was to make the coil slightly smaller, then connecting a small tuning condenser not from plate to plate but across about an inch of the coil on either side of the center-tap. These two circuits were then rearranged for the use of two separate tubes—a variety of types being used. The chief result was to establish that any of the common tubes and any of the usual push-pull circuits can be made to operate on 112 mc. though some would seem to be more practical than others.

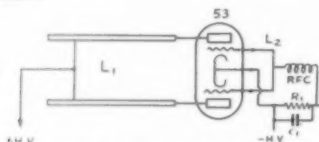


FIG. 1—ONE OF THE EARLY 112-MC. OSCILLATORS

$L_1$  and  $L_2$  are described in the text. The r.f. choke consists of fifteen turns of No. 20 wire wound on a lead pencil—the pencil being removed. The grid resistor and condenser are 10,000 ohms and 100  $\mu$ fd. respectively.

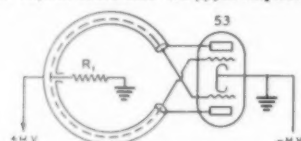


FIG. 2—A UNITY-COUPLED 112-MC. TRANSMITTER

Offering possibilities for experimental work, particularly in regard to a tuning system, this arrangement might well be given further attention.  $R_1$  is 10,000 ohms or more. Other details are given in the text.

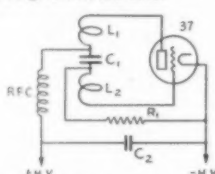


FIG. 3—THE CIRCUIT USED IN PRELIMINARY COMMUNICATION TESTS ON 112 MC.

$L_1$ ,  $L_2$ —A single  $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch turn each of 14-gauge antenna wire.  
 $C_1$ —100- $\mu$ fd. fixed condenser.  
 $C_2$ —0.004- $\mu$ fd. fixed condenser.  
 $R_1$ —10,000 ohms for transmission, 50,000 or 100,000 for reception.  
R.F.C.—Two feet of 28-gauge wire wound on a 1-meg. grid-leak form.  
A 100- $\mu$ fd. condenser across  $R_1$  may be found desirable.

#### THE ONE-TUBE CIRCUITS

At this stage we gave the conventional single-tube circuits a fling. The old favorite of Fig. 3 was highly successful. With the constants given, it gave excellent output on about 112 mc. and, for

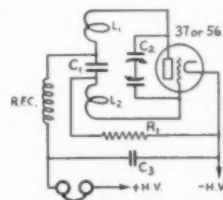


FIG. 4—THE COMPLETE RECEIVER CIRCUIT SHOWING THE SPLIT-STATOR TUNING CONDENSER IN PLACE

The constants throughout the circuit are the same as in Fig. 3 even though  $C_3$  and  $C_2$  were transposed by the draughtsman.  $C_2$  is the special condenser described in the text and illustrated in Fig. 5. A 100- $\mu$ fd. condenser across  $R_1$  may be found desirable.

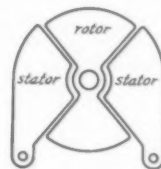
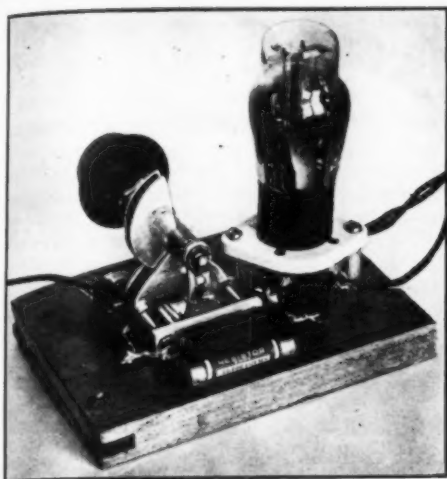


FIG. 5—THE SPECIAL CONDENSER PLATES FOR THE CIRCUIT OF FIG. 4

reasons yet to be discovered, proved much more stable and "sure-fire" than the arrangements used previously. But again came the problem of tuning. An attempt was made to tune by using a variable condenser for  $C_1$ . This gave a limited tuning range except toward the minimum settings of the condenser and at these settings oscillation became somewhat unreliable. The same effect was noticed in the 56-mc. receivers of a few years ago.

In an attempt to retain the popular shunt-tuned circuit of Fig. 4 a special type of tuning condenser was evolved—a condenser which would provide a very low minimum capacity and a short path from one terminal to the other. The idea behind the condenser is shown in Fig. 5. Two rotor plates of the shape shown and two stator plates were cut from aluminium and mounted on the frame of a National Type STHS midget condenser. The diameter of the circle on which the stator plates were cut is  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inches. With the usual plate spacing provided by the original washers on the rotor shaft, this condenser gave a tuning range from about 110 to 135 mc. Its minimum capacity proved to be very low—the frequency of the oscillator being lowered to only the slightest perceptible degree when the condenser was hitched in place. Such a condenser is, of course, not essential for 112-mc. work, but it would seem likely that some sort of low minimum





THE 224-MC. TRANSMITTER OR RECEIVER SHOWN IN FIG. 7

This type of equipment, especially if provided with condenser stator plates of special design, would seem likely to provide one solution to the problem of providing a tunable oscillator for the frequencies between 224 and 240 megacycles. The 100- $\mu$ fd. condenser across the grid resistor is not shown in the circuit and is not always an essential.

capacity and short path condenser will become popular.

The arrangement of Fig. 4, then, is the most effective of all the arrangements tried for either transmission or reception on 112 mc. As a receiver, the tube super-regenerates splendidly with a grid resistor of 50,000 or 100,000 ohms. Antenna coupling may be provided either with a very small condenser connected to the grid of the tube or, preferably, with a single-turn antenna coil mounted between  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ . The most desirable tube so far operated in this rig is the 37 for transmission and the 76 for reception. Even with 400 volts at 40 ma. the 37 still seems willing to accept the consequences—and has for a dozen hours or so.

Fig. 6 shows another slightly different type of oscillator which shows great promise—particularly for the still higher frequencies. In this case, the inductance consists of two copper strips  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  mounted on stand-off insulators and connected to grid and plate of a 37 tube. For 112 mc. the strips were 1-inch wide and 15 inches long, spaced about  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch. Tuning is accomplished by sliding a copper plate  $P$  over the ends of the strips and about  $\frac{1}{16}$ -inch above them. Some decent mechanical arrangement for mounting and sliding this plate is yet to be provided. The affair works well, however, and offers definite promise. The tuning effect is obtained, as will be guessed, by shorting the strips as far as r.f. is concerned by the capacity between the strips and the plate.

#### A 224-MC. OSCILLATOR

This scheme for a transmitter is really the outcome of the experimental 224-mc. rig shown in Fig. 7. The idea was to use two stator plates of a split stator condenser for the tank inductance of the transmitter or receiver. This particular condenser was built by dismantling a National SEU 20 condenser (it is the one with four very heavy gauge plates) and mounting each stator plate on a separate pair of machine screws. One end of these plates was connected to grid and plate of a 37 tube, the other ends being by-passed with a midget 100- $\mu$ fd. condenser. The actual circuit is, of course, the same as that of Fig. 4 or 6. Dizzy contraption that it is, the thing oscillated well on about 230 mc. and could be tuned to higher frequencies by meshing the rotor plates with the stator plates—the reverse of what one would expect at first thought. Incidentally, to reduce the lowest wave-length at which circuit will oscillate it is only necessary to reduce the spacing between the stator plates—though possibly this would hold good over only a limited range of plate spacings. Here, though, is a thoroughly practical and smoothly tunable 224-mc. band transmitter or receiver!

Limited time has made it impossible for us to

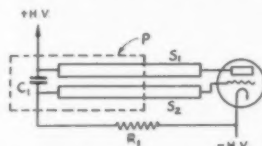


FIG. 6—AN ULTRA-HIGH FREQUENCY CIRCUIT INVOLVING A NOVEL TUNING SYSTEM

$C_1$  and  $R_1$  correspond to those in Fig. 3. Other details are given in the text.

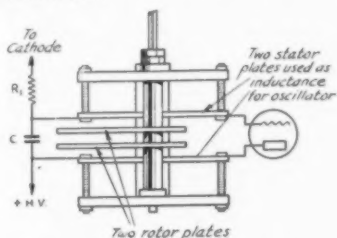


FIG. 7—BELIEVE IT OR NOT—A 224-MC. TRANSMITTER

In this rig the condenser serves both as the inductance and the tuning element.

do much actual communication with these rigs with the idea of discovering how these new (to us) frequencies work, but it seems that we can at least expect a performance closely similar to that of 56 mc. One great advantage that the new bands offer is that highly directive antennas can be built without getting a very clumsy structure. And directive antennas for both transmission

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# With the Affiliated Clubs

WEBSTER'S definition of a club is "an association of persons to promote a common object, or for good-fellowship."

How well this applies to our A.R.R.L! American Radio Relay League members are in reality members of a huge amateur radio club; the unfortunate thing is, however, that the members of this club are too widely scattered ever to hope to get together for unified meetings. How, then, are these club members to get together? You all know the answer: Aside from contacts "over the air," A.R.R.L. conventions and hamfests make possible a certain amount of personal contact between members, but these are only occasional affairs and do not occur with any fixed regularity in every section of the country. The real mediums for personal contact between A.R.R.L. members are the A.R.R.L. affiliated clubs. These local groups (for affiliated clubs are for the most part groups of amateurs from their own local areas) meet regularly weekly, bi-monthly, monthly, etc., and are composed essentially of A.R.R.L. members; a meeting of any affiliated club is, we might say, a local meeting of A.R.R.L. members. This is true to-day more than ever before, for at its 1934 annual meeting the Board of Directors, A.R.R.L., set forth a new policy concerning club affiliations. This policy was explained in the report of the Board Meeting (June QST), but we are repeating it here for the edification of club members who may have missed it heretofore. Every member of an affiliated club should be familiar with this new ruling.

## RE: CLUB AFFILIATION WITH A.R.R.L.

At the 1934 meeting of the A.R.R.L. Board it was voted: (a) that it is the policy of the League not to grant affiliation to any amateur society unless the articles of the applicant society lodge the control of its affairs in licensed amateurs; nor unless 60% of the licensed amateurs belonging to the applicant society are also members of the League; (b) that the communications manager is directed to make a suitable survey of the affiliated clubs at the end of each year; and (c) that it is the policy of the League to terminate the affiliation of any society found by such survey not to comply with these conditions. This simply means that the articles of any given club must be so written that control of its affairs is vested in licensed radio amateurs, and that at least 60% of these licensed radio amateurs must be A.R.R.L. members. Officers of clubs now affiliated should take immediate steps to assure that their club constitution and by-laws are in accord with these requirements. Officers of clubs wishing affiliation

should, with their applications, give the language of the articles, the calls of licensed amateurs and the names of League members.

The wording in the constitutions of three active clubs relative to the "licensed amateur control" clause may be of assistance to other clubs in lining up the necessary changes in their constitutions: *The Sheridan Amateur Radio League (Wyoming)* does it this way:

"Only licensed amateurs may vote on any question or for any officer in S.A.R.L."

*The San Diego Radio Amateur Association* words it thus:

"Members shall be of two kinds, Regular and Associate. Regular members shall be in possession of a valid amateur radio operator License. Associate members shall be those not in possession of such a license who have a genuine interest in Amateur radio. Upon application, candidates may become members by a majority affirmative vote of the members present at the time of application. Only Regular members shall be entitled to vote upon any matter which concerns the business or opinion of the organization. Only regular members shall be eligible for office."

*The Indianapolis Radio Operators Club* has amended its constitution as follows:

"Members. There shall be three classes of members, Resident, Non-Resident, and Junior. The non-resident members shall be those residing outside of Marion County. The membership shall include only persons who hold an amateur operator's license. They shall be of good moral character, and if their station is inactive for a period to exceed six months they shall be dropped from the club automatically. Junior members shall have no voting rights."

These are but three examples of wording to comply with the Board's "licensed amateur control" ruling. A possible change to the third example might be to define junior members as those not holding amateur operator licenses and with no voting rights. The exact wording is, of course, up to the decision of each individual club, and may best be determined by discussion at the club meetings. The ruling concerning 60% A.R.R.L. membership of the licensed amateurs controlling club affairs speaks for itself.

## CLUB ACTIVITIES

The great outdoors is claiming most club activities at this time of year! Hamfests, field days, picnics, 56-mc. work, portable tests—with all these outdoor doings we find clubs keeping the ball rolling throughout the summer. Then, as usual, we find the club workshops showing signs of the rebuilding fever, which the QRN-days always bring to light. We are reminded of an incident recounted to us by W3AAJ, *Richmond Short Wave Club*. It seems that a bunch of club members were recently enroute by automobile to a hamfest some miles away. In true ham fashion they had rigged up 56-mc. gear on each car. As

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the leading car would reach the top of a grade or round a particularly "dangerous" curve, the chap operating the 56-mc. gear would signal the rear cars, "Road clear ahead. Open her up." Whereupon the other carloads of hams would forge ahead past any other cars on the road, much to the wonderment and consternation of the regular tourists! There's an idea for some 56-mc. fun, especially when there are several cars in the party, but we don't recommend it. Safe enough with amateur radio, it violates most traffic laws and the cops won't appreciate the stunt. Hi!

Some years ago Mr. I. Creaser, WIBSJ, prepared a paper, "Why Does the Radio Amateur Need an Association?" The contents of this paper apply just as well to-day as they did when WIBSJ wrote it. He said, "One of the essential purposes of a radio organization is to serve the amateur by supplying him with those things which he needs in the way of advice, that he may derive the greatest pleasure and benefits along with his own efforts." He went on to point out eight essential principles for proper organization: unity of purpose; common aim; coöperation; specialization; instruction; learning; leadership; and action. How does your club shape up?

A low-power contest is being arranged for the month of September by the *Providence Radio Association, Inc.* The rules for this contest may offer suggestions to other clubs for a similar activity: Total points for each contact will be computed by multiplying watts input by miles covered by band used. The scoring for watts input will be taken from the transmitter stage having the greatest watts input and will range from one point for 10 watts to ten points for one watt. Similarly, scoring for miles covered will vary from one point for zero to 100 miles up to ten points for more than 3000 miles. Scoring for the band used will be as follows: Eight points for 1.75 mc.; four for 3.5 mc.; two for 7 mc.; one for 14 mc., and two for 28 mc. There will be first and second prizes.

#### ATTENTION, CLUB SECRETARIES!

It is hoped that this "With the Affiliated Clubs" section of *QST* can be a regular feature. To a great extent its continuance depends upon your coöperation by sending us news. We desire to make this a chronicle of particularly interesting affiliated-club activities. We won't have room to report ordinary meetings, but information on unusual activities, especially of the type which might benefit other clubs, is earnestly requested.

#### VISIT THE CLUBS

A good many hundred amateur radio clubs throughout the United States and Canada are affiliated with A.R.R.L. At headquarters we have recorded the addresses of these clubs, their places and times of meeting. Clubs are splendid

places to get acquainted with other amateurs and to participate in interesting discussions on amateur radio. Do you want to be put in touch with a club in your vicinity? Would you like to attend a club meeting in another city you are visiting? Address the Communications Manager (enclosing 3¢ stamp, please) for data on Affiliated Clubs in your vicinity.

—E. L. B.

## A.R.R.L. 28-Mc. Contest Rules

1. The Contest is open to all licensed radio amateurs.

2. The Contest will commence at 0001 GT October 1, 1934 and will conclude at 2400 GT September 30, 1935.

3. Licensed power must not be exceeded.

4. Contacts may be established at any hour and on any day during the contest period.

5. One point will be scored for each completed 100 miles of contact, with a specific station (e.g. a contact with a station 99 miles away scores no points, contact with a station 658 miles away scores 6 points). All distances will be measured by a Great Circle line between stations.

6. In computing his final score a competitor may claim points for each different station worked once during each calendar month.

7. Proof of contact in writing may be required by the contest committee.

8. Re R.S.G.B. Award: (a) A minimum signal strength of QSA 3 must be recorded before a contact counts for points. (b) The decision of the president of the R.S.G.B. will be final in all cases of dispute. (c) Entries must reach the Secretary, R.S.G.B., 53 Victoria Street, London, S.W. 1, not later than November 15, 1935.

9. An A.R.R.L. Award Committee shall consider the file of reports and data submitted by competitors to the A.R.R.L. Its decision will be based on: (1) The number of weekly reports to A.R.R.L. on 28-mc. work, 25%. (2) Equipment description and development work on same, 25%. (3) Number of points in accordance with Rule 5, 50%. Examination of all reports with ratings weighted on these factors will determine the 28-MC. ACHIEVEMENT AWARD. Entries (from W/VE) must all be received at A.R.R.L. on or before Oct. 15, 1935, to be considered for the A.R.R.L. Award.

A bronze charm will be presented by the A.R.R.L. engraved "FOR 28 MC ACHIEVEMENT OCT. 1, '34-SEPT. 30, '35", and with the call of the winner. One point will be scored for each completed 100 miles of contact. Decision between W/VE competitors will be based on weighted credits. (1) The number of weekly reports to A.R.R.L. on 28-mc. work, 25%. (2) Description of equipment, and development work reported on same, 25%. (3) The number of points

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# Another Simple Solution of Break-in

## Its Practical Application in the Crystal-Controlled Transmitter

By Ludlum Smith, W6BJM\*

IN THIS enlightened era of horseless carriages and low-cost crystals, where all one hears is "break-in," the lowly ham who would benefit by all three is up against a rough proposition. As long as a self-excited oscillator was the height of something-or-other, break-in could be affected after a fashion by pushing the phones as far forward on the head as possible and letting nature take its course. This little stunt may or may not have been hard on the phones, depending on the power of the transmitter, but it certainly wasn't any too satisfactory. At any rate, the increasing prevalence of crystal control has changed things considerably. The customary amateur receiver is still either a detector and one-lung or a tuned r.f.—greatly re-vamped, to be sure, but the same old story, nevertheless. On the other hand, it is usually impossible to use the receiver at all with the crystal oscillator running in the same band, without resort to an extensive shielding campaign.

So it is that, to the amateur not having the facilities of R.C.A., break-in is a compromise at best. As long as the transmitter and receiver are both located at the same place, the transmitter must stop during reception and the receiver must be off during transmission. There's no getting around that. Even with a "sniggle-sniggle," when working close to the transmitter's frequency, such must be the case. In high-speed work, with a bug screwed up to the last notch, complications are bound to set in.

The object of this article is to describe such complications and to explain the method by which each was overcome as it presented itself. The solutions to these problems are not difficult, nor do they require a great amount of originality. In fact, very few of the ideas to be presented found their origin in the writer's mind. Rather, they are an accumulation gained by observing other amateurs' methods and moulding them into a satisfactory unit. Incidentally, most of these ideas have been previously described in *QST* from time to time and may or may not have been taken advantage of already by the reader. As to outlay of cash, nearly all required parts should be lying around the shack somewhere, or should be easily available by the customary recourse to "swap." Let it be said that those were the only two methods used here.

By keeping one eye on the accompanying

diagram as you read what follows, the "modus operandi" is easily comprehended.

Let us take the first step toward good break-in operation. When the key is pressed, the receiver must cease to function—at least as far as the ears are concerned. This disabling may be accomplished to a greater or less extent by one of three methods; the antenna may be grounded, the plate supply disconnected, or the phones disconnected. In actual practice only the last is easy on the hearing, and then only when breaking the phone circuit does not open the plate supply. In other words, the phones must be connected to the last audio stage either through a condenser and impedance arrangement, or with an output transformer. This works in very conveniently with what is to follow since one side of the phones may be connected to ground. Probably the easiest parts to obtain are an audio transformer (with the primary and secondary in series for use as an impedance) and a coupling condenser of whatever capacity is available—somewhere between 0.1- and 1- $\mu$ fd. Experience has shown that regardless of what values the parts in diagrams have tacked on them, the value actually used is the one at hand—and it usually works, which is more to the point. When this much is finished, it will be found that the phone circuit may be closed and opened as rapidly as necessary without the slightest aural discomfort. In fact, were it not for the background and signals, it would hardly be noticed.

The output lead from the receiver is brought to a double-contact relay, and connected to that contact which normally closes the circuit when the relay is open—that is, when the field is unexcited. The phone jack is connected between the relay armature and ground. Thus the phones are normally in a position to receive signal impulses from the receiver. The relay field is operated in parallel with field of the transmitter keying relay. It is hardly practicable to utilize one relay with enough contacts to do both jobs, since the receiver circuit is likely to be some distance from the other; if not, and a suitable relay is at hand, the individual can work it out for himself.

Now, after the key has been jiggled up and down awhile, the utter blankness that is encountered when the key is down may be found to interfere with the ability of the operator to send clearly. Most of us like to hear something when we send, for obvious reasons. It is therefore necessary to hook up some kind of sounding device to the

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other relay contact so that the 'phones will be connected to it during the interval of sending. At first glance this might look like an excellent opportunity to drag in the freqmeter-monitor and arrange matters accordingly. But not so! We still want to work on the frequency of the transmitter occasionally. While it might be a good idea to go a step beyond the ones described here, and use a change-over switch so that the monitor can be connected in place of the audio oscillator when desired, for practical purposes the audio oscillator alone is the best bet. No description of that particular breed of animal is needed, save that it would be worth while to replace the off-on filament switch with a rheostat in order to vary the tone. If a fixed note is desired, a carbon resistor of suitable value may be inserted in the grid. Note that the plate return *must* be made through a common ground. In other words, the positive lead of the battery is grounded. This will be a terrific shock to the lads who have grounded the negative from time immemorial.

Perhaps a word on the intricacies of the relays would be helpful. If the only ones available have but one set of contacts, try putting on an extra insulated one, arranged so as to make contact with the armature when the field is open. Usually an old "B" supply or "eliminator" will have a relay with two contacts already on it. If the resistance of the field is too low it's a simple matter to rewind it with what it will hold of No. 26 or 30 enameled wire. A nice fat condenser across the key will add that final touch and soak up the juicy spark from the induction of the relay fields every time the circuit is opened.

#### KEYING THE TRANSMITTER

Comes now that source of joy and cause of curses, the transmitter. If it's a simple self-excited oscillator that part is practically over; but if its owner has been on the air a year or more, it probably isn't, so the fun is just beginning.

The sad, sad part of playing this break-in game is that after going to all the trouble of building up an m.o.p.a. rig, the mind must be made up that the old keyed oscillator isn't so bad—especially if it uses a crystal instead of a grid coil and has one or more succeeding amplifier stages. In fact it's pretty good. After listening to a few of them on the air it will be decided that it is equally as good, if not better, because the only apparent difference is that it is naturally impos-

sible to hear the crystal running when the key is up. For some reason many an amateur has a certain abhorrence of the idea of keying the crystal stage, perhaps because he just hasn't done it. Against that type of reasoning there is no argument other than that if the doubtful lad will try it once he will soon see the error of his ways.

Before any more ground is covered it might be



**THE AUTHOR'S STATION, W6BJM, WHERE HIS SIMPLE SOLUTION OF BREAK-IN IS APPLIED TO THE TRANSMITTER AT THE LEFT**

*The stage line-up is 47 crystal oscillator, 46 buffer-doubler and 211 final, the latter customarily doing business on the 3.5- and 7-mc. bands with 175 watts plate input. The operating position, with receiver and whatever, is at the right. Not to be overlooked, under the table, is the mimeograph from which pours "that masterful rag, QSA5."*

wise to state that such a stunt should *not* be tried with the crystal running "free"; that is, without the rest of the transmitter coupled to it. When this is done it usually sounds like a very poor self-excited rig with crystal control—if such a thing can be imagined. The only way to try the experiment is to be sure the transmitter is properly tuned and neutralized, arrange some sort of fixed grid bias for all amplifier stages, and connect the keying relay to the center tap of the oscillator. One trial will convince the wildest skeptic.

For those who are horrified at the mere mention of interrupting the oscillations of the crystal stage, suppose we compare it with the conditions existing in its normal operation.

The crystal is or is not temperature-controlled. In either case it is customary to start and stop it whenever desired without serious effects on the frequency stability. Of course, it must start without such coaxing as running over and rapping the holder with a pencil, axe, or whatever the operator happens to have in his hand at the moment. The oscillator must not be loaded so heavily that one wonders how it works at all. Whether starting and stopping it at normal keying speeds will affect the crystal's frequency stability more than, or as much as, running it continuously is something for the engineers to figure out. It certainly does not change it enough to be noticeable in a monitor. It might be a good idea to bear in mind that the oscillator is not the

final amplifier, and to curb the urge to put a couple of thousand volts on it. After all, when one breaks down and confesses, very few amateur transmitters, temperature-controlled and all, have a great deal in common with WWV; and it's a pretty fair bet that the old rig will stay just as close to its supposed frequency when the oscillator is keyed as when it is the final that makes the transmission more or less intelligible. Last and not least, it's sure death on key-clicks.

Crystal keying is really more prevalent than some might think. It was only after working five or six of the best signals imaginable and having the operators say something to the effect, "... keying crystal hr . . .," that it was considered.

grid bias (without excitation), which means fixed bias by one of three methods:

- a. Battery bias.
- b. Battery and resistance bias, or
- c. A rectifier-filter grid-bias unit. (Power supply.)

Which is used is up to the individual. But the installation of a grid-bias power pack with a good healthy bleeder resistor will give the closest adjustment of grid-bias voltage; and when it is properly installed the amplifier tubes are just as well protected against accidents causing excessive plate current as when battery bias is used. And the pack doesn't take up as much space.

The installation of battery bias needs no description, but a grid bias unit is quite a different proposition. The one shown in the diagram is just an ordinary power supply except that no power is delivered outside its own circuit. It should deliver about 300 volts at 50 milliamperes to the bleeder resistance, which is the sole load. The relay field in series with this load must pick up its armature very definitely at that current. Of course these figures are not iron-clad, and the individual can work out any arrangement that fits his conditions satisfactorily. The main idea is that the load must have a low enough resistance to pass sufficient current to allow the relay to

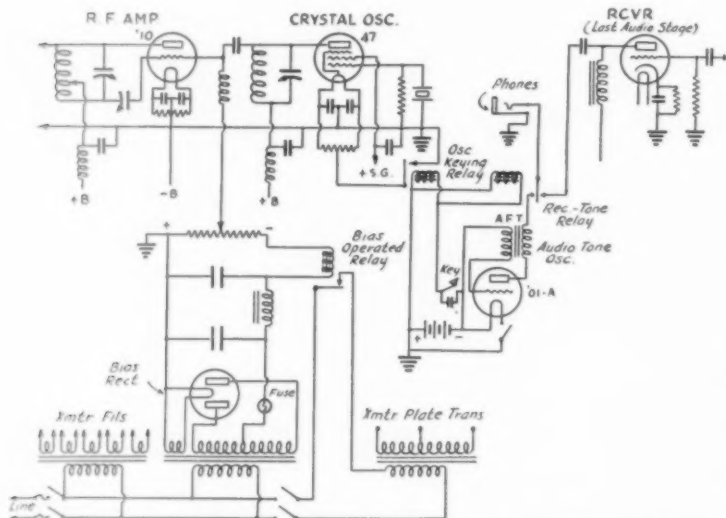


FIG. 1—THE BREAK-IN ARRANGEMENT FEATURES CRYSTAL-OSCILLATOR KEYING, RECEIVER OUTPUT SWITCHING WITH AUDIO TONE SIGNAL, AND AUTOMATIC BIAS PROTECTION

Circuit constants typical, nothing especially critical.

The last straw was an exceptionally fine rag chew with W9AAB, who said, "Too bad ur not keying xtal. We cud use bk-in. Why don't u try it?"

Well, that's enough of that. Let's take a peek at the conditions which must be fulfilled to do the trick satisfactorily.

(1) The crystal must be a fairly stable oscillator. If it isn't it's no good anyway. Either a good X- or Y-cut rock, in a proper mounting, seems to operate as well as ordinarily, and three or four hundred volts on the plate ought to be enough to drive the next stage decently without running the risk of damaging the crystal.

(2) All succeeding stages must be sufficiently neutralized to preclude the possibility of any one of them breaking into oscillation.

(3) All succeeding stages must have cut-off

close, and it must be a heavy enough resistance to dissipate safely the power lost in it. At the above figures a 75-watt 6000-ohm wire-wound resistor is used, with taps that can be scooted up and down freely and easily, allowing for very close adjustment of grid voltage. Incidentally, although this is another time when the positive is grounded, nothing has blown up as yet.

By another quick glance at the diagram it is seen that upon closing the filament switch the bias unit is also started up, but that closing the plate switch has absolutely no effect until said unit is operating satisfactorily. By the same token, should anything occur to disrupt the operation of the unit, the bias-circuit relay, which has suddenly assumed the impressive name of

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# This Voltage Divider Business

## Reducing the Design Problem to a Simple Process

AMONG the irritants that return to plague us at least once in every so often is the problem of figuring the resistor values for the voltage divider of a plate power supply. We were reminded of this little matter on a sultry day, recently, while sitting with H. T. Hayden, W2FO, in conversation on life's little problems in general and those of hams in particular. It wasn't at all illogical that the question should arise, either, because W2FO, in his work with Ward Leonard, has been called upon to work out almost every conceivable combination in voltage dividers; hundreds of them, in fact.

"It's surprising," said he, "how many amateurs—and engineers, too, for that matter—seem to be completely stumped when it comes to figuring out even the simplest kind of plate-supply voltage divider, although it's really one of the easiest jobs in the world—provided you know Ohm's Law and start in the right place."

"Then, it's high time we had it," said we. And here it is.

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First of all, let's make sure that everybody has Ohm's Law straight. You say everybody knows it? Well, we'd like to believe that every amateur is completely familiar with this simple relationship between voltage, current and resistance—the cornerstone of all electrical and radio calculations—as it is given in Chapter Three of the *Handbook*, for instance. But we have our suspicions.

Only recently we were told that an inquiry to a representative group of radio servicemen, many of whom are amateurs, revealed that the majority did not know Ohm's law and could not apply it to a practical problem! Perhaps an all-amateur group would make a better showing; but just to be on the safe side—

$$\text{Current} = \frac{\text{Voltage}}{\text{Resistance}}; I (\text{Amps.}) = \frac{E (\text{Volts})}{R (\text{Ohms})}$$

And the other practical forms in which we shall have occasion to use this relationship in connection with voltage divider design:

$$R = \frac{E}{I}; \text{ and } E = IR$$

Since the current value,  $I$ , must be in amperes, the usual milliamperes values must be converted to decimal fractions of an ampere in making the calculations. (100 ma. = 0.1 amp., 10 ma. = 0.01 amp., etc.)

Now for the second important point—starting at the right place. The wrong place to start is at the positive end of the divider. The negative end is the right place to start. Then, knowing the value

of the resistor bleeder current, the voltage delivered by the power pack, and the current and voltage values at each tap, the rest is easy. Let us take a typical problem to illustrate the method.

As diagrammed in Fig. 1, our divider is to deliver 750 volts at 40 ma., 500 volts at 50 ma., and 300 volts at 20 ma. from a 1000-volt rectifier-filter system. Now for the purpose of designing the divider the current delivered from the 1000-volt terminal is of no importance except in so far as it may affect the power supply voltage regulation. But it is essential that the current drawn from each of the taps on the divider be known, at least to a close approximation. The bleeder current is chosen as 15 ma. in this case, which is a fair value.

The resistance values for the individual sections are calculated in the alphabetical order shown, beginning with section A at the negative end. The voltage across this resistor will be equal to the voltage indicated for the first tap, 300 volts. Since the only current that flows through section A is the bleeder current of 15 ma. (0.015 amp.), the resistance value will be

$$R_A = \frac{300}{0.015} = 20,000 \text{ ohms.}$$

The current through section B will be the bleeder current plus the 20 ma. taken off at the 300-volt tap or 35 ma. (0.035 amp.) The voltage across B is, of course, the difference between the voltages at its ends; that is, 500 volts minus 300 volts, or 200 volts.

$$R_B = \frac{200}{0.035} = 5714 \text{ ohms (5700 O.K.)}$$

The resistance of section C is similarly calculated, the current through it being the bleeder current plus the current to each of the taps below it, or 85 ma. (0.085 amp.)

$$R_C = \frac{250}{0.085} = 2941 \text{ ohms (3000 O.K.)}$$

Finally, the resistance of section D is calculated, the current through it being the bleeder current plus the current to all the lower-voltage taps or 125 ma. (0.125 amp.)

$$R_D = \frac{250}{0.125} = 2000 \text{ ohms.}$$

### DISSIPATION AND VOLTAGE RATINGS

Now it isn't enough to know just the resistance values in order to pick the resistor units for the divider. You must know also the power dissipa-

tion rating required of each unit. We must remember that, while we may think of the resistor in terms of its voltage drop, it is actually a power-consuming device; and that all the power consumed is converted to heat which must be

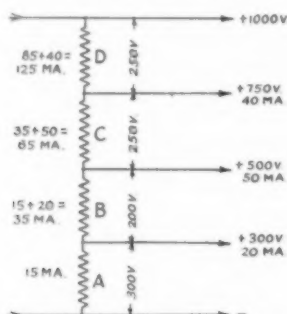


FIG. 1—PROBLEM: DESIGN A VOLTAGE DIVIDER  
It's one of the easiest jobs in the world—provided you know Ohm's law and start in the right place.

dissipated by the resistor. This power is equal to the voltage across the resistor multiplied by the current through it. That is,

$$P \text{ (watts)} = E \text{ (volts)} \times I \text{ (amps.)}$$

Alternatively, the power is equal to the resistance multiplied by the square of the current,

$$P = I^2 R$$

Figured either way, the answer will be the same. Taking the voltage and current values, the very minimum dissipation ratings required of the resistors of our example will be as follows:

$$P_A = 300 \times 0.015 = 4.5 \text{ watts}$$

$$P_B = 200 \times 0.035 = 7.0 \text{ watts}$$

$$P_C = 250 \times 0.085 = 21.25 \text{ watts}$$

$$P_D = 250 \times 0.125 = 31.25 \text{ watts}$$

At this point it is advisable to say something about the dissipation ratings given to resistors by their manufacturers. Since the power is dissipated in heat, it is logical that the dissipation rating should have temperature rise as its basis. As standardized by the Radio Manufacturers Association, the National Electrical Manufacturers Association and the National Board of Fire Underwriters, the full rating of a wire-wound vitreous enamelled type (the type generally used in voltage dividers) is the load in watts which will produce a temperature rise of  $250^\circ \text{C}$  ( $482^\circ \text{F}$ .) at the hottest spot of a two-terminal resistor when it is suspended in air at least one foot away from the nearest object and when the temperature of the surrounding air does not exceed  $40^\circ \text{C}$ . ( $104^\circ \text{F}$ .)

It is obvious, of course, that the normal rating assigned to a resistor on this basis will be lowered when the resistor is crowded with other apparatus, or other resistors, or where the temperature of the surrounding air runs higher than  $104^\circ \text{F}$ . It is, therefore, a safe rule to choose a resistor having a full dissipation rating of twice the calculated power dissipation, at least for the applica-

tions usual in amateur equipment. Although resistors may be overloaded within reasonable limits for short periods of time, it is wise economy to avoid doing so by picking a resistor of adequate dissipation rating.

Another factor entering into the safe life of resistors is the voltage across each unit. Insulation between turns of the wire-wound resistors is likely to break down if the voltage should be excessive. One leading manufacturer recommends that there should be not more than 500 volts between the end terminals of a radio-type resistor unit, although admitting that this voltage can be exceeded with impunity in many cases. We know, of course, that 1000 volts have been used across resistors with impunity, if not with complete safety, in many instances, particularly with a resistor of the long skinny type that has more turns per volt.

#### CHOOSING RESISTOR UNITS FOR THE JOB

Now that we know the resistance, dissipation and voltage-drop values for our divider, the final step in the design process is to pick out the resistors themselves from a list or catalogue of commercially-available types. It becomes immediately apparent that standard units exactly meeting the specifications are not available in every instance. This calls for the exercise of a little personal judgment. After all, as we have learned, successful engineering is about 10% mathematical design and about 90% smart estimating.

In our present problem the A and D sections happen to have round-number resistance values that can be picked right from the catalogue. For A there is a 20,000-ohm 10-watt type listed, while for D we can choose a standard 80-watt 2000-ohm type. But sections B and C are not readily satisfied by any standard types we find listed. A 3000-ohm unit would be satisfactory for C; but both B and C together could be taken care of by a single unit having adjustable tapping bands. A safe choice would be one of 160-watt size having a total resistance of 10,000 ohms. Two tapping bands would be used, one set 5700 ohms from the negative end and the other 1300 ohms from the positive end. In adjusting a band, incidentally, be careful to loosen the clamping screw so that the contact point does not drag on the bared resistance wire when the band is moved. Otherwise the wire may be broken and the resistor spoiled.

#### THE FINAL SET-UP

In assembling the divider, take reasonable care to allow as much clear space around the resistors as may be available so that there will be free circulation of air to provide cooling. In no case should a resistor be jammed up against a

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# Sixth International Relay Competition Results

AN A.R.R.L. DX tournament is always an "Open Sesame" for the radio amateur, bringing new thrills in distance work, new friendships in all corners of the world, and operating enjoyment unexcelled. The Sixth International Relay Competition, March 10-18, 1934, was no exception, breaking all previous DX contest records, both from the standpoint of participation and from accomplishments.

Pages could be written on the magnitude of the "Sixth International," orators could talk at length on the wonders of present-day radio distance work, but actions speak louder than words—take a look at the list of scores rolled up in this contest!! Forty-eight operators made over 10,000 points! W3ZJ set a new high record for DX competitions with a score of 32,879 (QSO's with 237 stations); his is an enviable achievement!! NY1AB (operator Vandekamp) came out of the encounter with the highest score outside of the United States and Canada—25,648! This represents QSO's with 612 stations—it takes operating ability to do that!! And competition was high with 1302 operators represented in the scores; 923 in the U. S. and Canada, 379 in sixty foreign localities. It is estimated that amateurs were active in more than eighty countries.

To the victors go the spoils. In the case of this contest the winner in each A.R.R.L. Section and in each foreign locality receives a certificate attesting to his accomplishments. Every winner may feel justifiable pride upon a victory hard earned!

Deserving of special mention are the scores of several "highest scorers": X1AA 22,722; HC1LC 19,152; EA5BE 15,960; ZL4AI 13,650; ZL2CI 13,273; G5BY 12,051; EA4AH 11,544; ZL4AO 11,480; D4BAR and X1AM 11,349 (tied!); K4SA 11,124; CM2JM 10,403; CT1GU 10,296; F3MTA 10,140; ON4AU 10,127. Each of the following, in order of scores, had over 7000 points: EA1BC, K6IDK, VK3MR, K6HQO, K6BAZ, ZL2GQ, K6BFI, J2GX, VK3WL, ZS2A, F8EX, HP1A, F8EB, VK3KX, G2MA, ZL2GN.

Within the United States and Canada we find the following scores in addition to W3ZJ's record breaker: W1SZ 28,305; W4AJX 22,748; W1ZI 22,672; W2BHZ 20,081; W5CBY (operator "BZ") 19,920; W6QD 19,198; W2DC 19,194; W1FH 18,648; W8CRA 18,336; W9UM 16,080; W6CXW 15,072; W9ADN 14,490; W2UK 14,400; W2BYP 14,268; W9IJ 13,896. Highest Canadian scorer was VE2AX with 9036 points. Each of the following, in order of scores, made over 10,000: W1DHE, W9ARN, W2CQX, W9GDH, W6BYB, W6FZY, W1CMX, W1GSH, W8ZY, W8DVX, W4FT, W1BUX, W6EXQ, W1DJX, W6GRL, W8DLD.

Only six foreign participants worked all fourteen W/VE districts: NY1AB, X1AA, CM2JM, ZL4AI, ZL4AO and HC1LC. The following each worked thirteen districts: G5BY, D4BAR, ON4AU, F8EX, F8EB, X1AM, X1BC, X1CM, ZL2CI, ZL2GQ, ZL2GN, ZL4BT, K6COG, VK3MR.

Credit for working the greatest number of foreign localities goes to W1ZI who worked 52 countries! W1SZ would have equalled this record had that K7 been really in Alaska and not operating portable on the Pacific Coast!! W1SZ did, however, work 51 countries! W3ZJ was QSO 49 countries, W4CBY (two ops) 49, W8CRA 48, W2UK 45, W4AJX 44, W2BHZ 43, W1FH, W2DC 42, W2BYP 41, W2BSR, W9UM W3CGU (two ops) 40, W1GSH W1BUX W2CQX 39, W1CMX W2BXU 37, W1DJX VE2AX W8DLD W9IJ W9AEH 36. It is a recognized fact that West Coast amateurs cannot work as many different countries as eastern hams. In view of this fact it is a real accomplishment for W6CXW to have worked 32 countries, W7VY 30, W6QD 29, W7BB (two ops) 29, W6EXQ 28 and W6ADP 27!

It has been the practice in A.R.R.L. contests in recent years to make separate awards to the highest scoring amateur in each A.R.R.L. Section and each foreign locality. In this way operators are competing only with other amateurs within their own territories and conditions in different areas do not enter into the contest so much. However, it is always interesting to compare scores to see who made the highest score of all participants. In comparing highest United States scores this year an equalizing factor has been applied such as was suggested in February QST (page 23). The high ten scores in each of the four time zones were averaged to determine the correction factor for each zone. The averages were: Eastern 21,718, Central 11,606, Mountain 1,630, Pacific 11,264. The Eastern Zone having the highest average was used as a basis, with the following multiplication factors being found for the other zones: Central 1.83, Mountain 11, Pacific 2. The Mountain Zone factor is very high, due to the fact that the ten highest scores in that zone ran considerably lower than in the other areas. Applying these factors to compare the highest scorer in each time zone we have: (W6CNX (Mountain) 75,100; W6QD (Pacific) 38,400; W3ZJ (Eastern) 32,879; W9UM (Central) 29,400.

## OUTSTANDING SIGNALS

Signals from the following foreign stations were reported as outstanding and consistent: In the First U. S. District—EA5BE (most outstanding),

VK3KX, ZL4AI, ZL4AO, ZS2A, FM8III. Second U. S. District—ZS2A (most outstanding), EA5BE, ZL4AI. Third U. S. District—EA5BE (most outstanding), ZS2A, X1AA. Fourth U. S. District—ZL4AI (most outstanding), EA5BE. Fifth U. S. District—J2GX, ZS2A, ZL4AI, NY1AB. Sixth U. S. District—J2GX (most outstanding), ZL2CI, HC1LC, ZS2A, VK3WL, J2IN, LU2FC, ZT5R, F8EB, PA0LL, ZL4AO, VK5PK, KA1NA. Eighth U. S. District—ZL4AI (most outstanding), ZS2A, EA5BE, VK3KX, ON4AU, HC1LC, X1AA, F8EB. Ninth U. S. District—ZS2A (most outstanding), ZL4AI, HC1LC, EA5BE, ZL4AO, G5BY, X1AA, F8EB, LU1EP, J2GX, PY2BN, G2MA, VK4UU, KA1NA, ZL2CI, CM2OP, K4SA. Canada—VE4QX votes for J2GX, ZL2CI, VK3MR as most outstanding. VE5HQ picks CT1GU (14 me.) as best. VE5GS submits following list, all consistent: HC1LC, KA1NA, J2GX, NY1AA, NY1AB, K6BFI, K6IDK, K6COG, K6AKP, K6JPD, K4SA, X1AM, ZL4AI, ZL4AO, VK3MR, VK3WL.

## SCORES

(Operator of station first-listed in each Section and Country is winner for that territory, unless otherwise indicated. . . . Number countries-prefixes (in case of W/VE participants) and number W/VE Districts worked (in case of non-W/VE participants) shown in parentheses after call. . . . Asterisks denote stations not entered in contest, reporting to assure that stations they worked get credit.)

<i>E. Mass.</i>	W1FM (3)...	36	W1HQ (17)...	1241
W1ZI (52)...	22672 W1BWJ* (2)...	12	W1DCI (12)...	900
W1FH (42)...	18648 W1DAR* (2)...	10	W1CLH (16)...	864
W1CMX (37)...	11174 W1HJ (1)...	6	W1DGC (15)...	855
W1GSH (39)...	11154 W1DOP (1)...	3	W1DBG (13)...	585
W1GMS (27)...	6669 W1FXB* (1)...	3	W1NI (12)...	576
W1ME (26)...	6318		W1DIO (11)...	528
W1IA (20)...	3340 <i>Maine</i>		W1CTO (8)...	448
W1FCU (21)...	2814 W1DHE (32)...	12864	W1EBU (9)...	378
W1RY (20)...	2620 W1BFX (29)...	8062	W1DBU (9)...	351
W1NW (17)...	2108 W1EF (22)...	4884	W1BHM (8)...	296
W1ZW (21)...	1953 W1ET (20)...	2640	W1CUX (8)...	240
W1AJA (17)...	1863 W1COW (11)...	561	W1AQ8 (8)...	232
W1FET (17)...	1768 W1CRP (6)...	198	W1BEQ (7)...	210
W1WV (14)...	1638 W1GKJ (7)...	189	W1AH (6)...	198
W1BT (18)...	1404 W1DUJ (5)...	90	W1EBT (7)...	154
W1HX (15)...	1395 W1FUP* (3)...	27	W1AGT (4)...	84
W1GF (18)...	1296 W1CDX (2)...	18	W1CNU (5)...	75
W1SB (15)...	1125 W1FAP* (1)...	3	W1DDX (4)...	72
W1GJQ (16)...	960		W1EAO* (2)...	12
W1GLE (14)...	924 <i>Rhode Island</i>			
W1BFK (11)...	814 W1BUX (39)...	10725	<i>W. Mass.</i>	
W1DQH (11)...	770 W1DJX (36)...	10692	W1CLX (31)...	7099
W1GDY (14)...	728 W1CAB (32)...	8256	W1CC (35)...	5810
W1BQN (11)...	627 W1HSA (16)...	1216	W1BZ (33)...	5643
W1AQO (10)...	570 W1BGA* (6)...	162	W1DLD (24)...	3864
W1GHQ (9)...	522 W1HQK (5)...	90	W1EK (16)...	1920
W1DSF (9)...	378 W1FOV (3)...	36	W1EBF (11)...	495
W1HU (9)...	369		W1DA (7)...	273
W1AQH* (10)...	350 <i>Connecticut</i>		W1AFU (7)...	210
W1AGF (7)...	301 W1QV (34)...	8466 <sup>1</sup>		
W1BKL (7)...	252 W1SZ (51)...	28305	<i>New Hampshire</i>	
W1BFR (6)...	198 W1FTR (35)...	8155	W1DUC (30)...	6330
W1CA (7)...	189 W1CEG (35)...	7986	W1AVL (21)...	2751
W1DNL (5)...	165 W1DXL (24)...	4992	W1EPC (20)...	1398
W1BRB (7)...	147 W1GXC (19)...	2736	W1DMD (17)...	1585
W1HMK (5)...	105 W1DGG (19)...	2147	W1AQX* (7)...	147
W1FZH (4)...	72 W1YU (19)...	1653 <sup>2</sup>	W1EIO (4)...	60
W1CUP (4)...	48 W1WR (16)...	1328	W1BLA (3)...	27

<sup>1</sup> Although W1SZ made a higher score than W1QV, the Conn. award goes to W1QV, since A.R.R.L. HQ members and stations are not eligible for awards. <sup>2</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "KAB" 7344, "HMM" 48. <sup>3</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "RFV" 390, "YB" 300, "HD" 3, "SS" 12, "JAK" 3, "EMW" 12. <sup>4</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. 3COP 8806, 3EHN 1700. <sup>5</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. 3COP 2574, 2CPU 630. <sup>6</sup> Portable in Third District. <sup>7</sup> Portable in Fourth District. <sup>8</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "BZ" 19920, "DE" 1089. <sup>9</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. 4CDG 5150, 4BWP 2. <sup>10</sup> Certain details bearing on the certificate award in this Section and requiring further study make it impossible to announce the winner at this time. <sup>11</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "KO" 8129, "ERS" 3268. <sup>12</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "HK" 315, "RM" 288, <sup>13</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "HK" 36, "NK" 24. <sup>14</sup> Stn. Score. Two ops. <sup>15</sup> George Meek, W1SB, operator. <sup>16</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "HB" 95, "WB" 48. <sup>17</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. 8FDY 108, 8FMX 3. <sup>18</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "Art" 540, "Li" 120. <sup>19</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "CEB" 12, "CRB" 9. <sup>20</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "D.M.O.D" 4081. <sup>21</sup> "D.F.O.D" 2540. <sup>22</sup> Stn. Score. Three ops. <sup>23</sup> Stn. Score. Two ops. <sup>24</sup> Stn. Score. Opr. "CLG" 350, "SAB" 189, "TGH" 18.

Outstanding W stations heard in Australia: W3ZJ, W6QD, W3ZD, W3BBB, W4FT, W5AMO, W5UX, W5MS, W6GRL, W6CNX, W6CXW, W6CVZ, W7BB, W9BCX; in New Zealand: W2CIN, W3ZJ, W6BYB, W6CLP, W6GRL, W6QD, W7BB; in Czechoslovakia: W1QV R8, W4AJX W1ZI R7, W1SZ, W3ZD, W1LZ, W3ZJ, W2GOQ R6-7.

<i>Vermont</i>	W1ELR (5)...	150	W2UJ (6)...	180	W3CYN (4)...	00
W1EZ* (4)...	48		W2CC (1)...	12	W3MX (4)...	00
			W2FCN* (1)...	3	W3DBX* (3)...	00
<i>N. Y. C.-L. I.</i>					W3CCN (1)...	1
W2BHZ (43)...	20081	<i>No. New Jersey</i>			W3DRH (1)...	1
W2UK (45)...	14400	W2CQX (39)...	12831		W3BDS* (1)...	1
W2VSR (40)...	8680	W2DPB (34)...	9690		W3BNK* (1)...	1
W2CIN (22)...	5874	W2GCU (40)...	13520		W3EAN* (1)...	1
W2ETM (29)...	5357	W2BXU (37)...	7844			
W2AHC (25)...	4425	W2CZ (22)...	6264	<i>Virginia</i>		
W2RJ (21)...	3360	W2AIW (31)...	5859	W3CHE (28)...	6500	
W2CJM (24)...	3312	W2FHI (29)...	5307	W3BWA (28)...	4600	
W2BEF (22)...	3300	W2GW (27)...	4455	W3CCU (19)...	2812	
W2AIS (20)...	2660	W2DZA (25)...	3550	W3BEK (18)...	1630	
W2CQU (18)...	2142	W3COP (31)...	5053	W3AG (20)...	120	
W2ERI (16)...	2096	W2EKM (20)...	2260	W3BAI (12)...	787	
W2EMJ (19)...	1976	W2BLV (17)...	1802	W3ADD (9)...	013	
W2ECU (20)...	1860	W2EOH (18)...	1368	W3AAJ (6)...	003	
W2DZJ (16)...	1776	W2SE (15)...	1305	W3EAP (4)...	44	
W2ALB (16)...	1568	W2ATF (14)...	1120	W3BAD (4)...	32	
W2FU (17)...	1564	W2DFN (14)...	1008	W3UVA (3)...	27	
W2DRJ (15)...	1350	W2DEW (14)...	756	W3BIW (3)...	27	
W2BEM (17)...	1326	W2GIZ (10)...	650	W3DSH (1)...	1	
W2BEC (15)...	1320	W2AGX (10)...	500	W3DCU* (1)...	1	
W2DVO (16)...	1216	W2BYK (12)...	480			
W2CTO (17)...	1207	W2SO (7)...	378	<i>So. New Jersey</i>		
W2CBG (14)...	1008	W3FO (9)...	324	W3NK (28)...	4960	
W2EXO (10)...	870	W2AMR (9)...	324	W3AIU (29)...	4521	
W2CMT (12)...	720	W2CLM (8)...	288	W3ARN (21)...	2698	
W2ARY (9)...	567	W2BPG (8)...	264	W2GWE (17)...	2449	
W2EJZ (10)...	550	W2ABC (8)...	216	W3CAD (12)...	810	
W2CJQ (11)...	484	W2CJX* (7)...	189	W3DAU (10)...	700	
W2DJM (8)...	480	W2AUQ (6)...	162	W3CBR (11)...	682	
W2BBD (11)...	429	W2FL (6)...	144	W3EDP (13)...	567	
W2FAB (9)...	405	W2CDA (5)...	135	W3AKU (13)...	507	
W2EXM* (11)...	396	W2ELP (5)...	105	W3DOK (10)...	440	
W2DLO (9)...	395	W2CAY (5)...	75	W3ECO (10)...	290	
W2ELE (9)...	351	W2EJB* (5)...	75	W3BIR (6)...	204	
W2WT* (8)...	312	W2GVZ (5)...	75	W3DSY (7)...	196	
W2DHH (7)...	189	W2ABS (4)...	72	W3DLZ (5)...	130	
W2AEN (5)...	180	W2CGJ (3)...	54	W3ACX (5)...	90	
W2EIL (7)...	168	W2CAD (4)...	48	W3ZX* (3)...	30	
W2BWL (6)...	126	W2FOP (3)...	27	W3BVE (3)...	27	
W2FIS (5)...	120	W2SN* (3)...	27	W3AOC (1)...	1	
W2ERC (6)...	108	W2DLF (2)...	12	W3AXU (1)...	1	
W2KU (5)...	75	W2EDJ (2)...	8			
W2CAC (4)...	48			<i>Md.-Del. D. C.</i>		
W2BXW (4)...	48	<i>E. Penna.</i>		W3APJ (28)...	4500	
W2AFA* (3)...	27	W3ZJ (49)...	32879	W3HC (17)...	1904	
W2EQG (3)...	27	W3AQJ (31)...	8308	W3ADP (17)...	1473	
W2DTL (3)...	27	W3BET (31)...	5084	W3BZB (15)...	1125	
W2DOG (2)...	12	W3ANS (27)...	4752	W3CIC (8)...	656	
W2FLG* (2)...	12	W3BES (22)...	4246	W3EHW (9)...	540	
W2AOC (1)...	6	W3BRU (25)...	3825	W3BVN (10)...	430	
W2FNI (1)...	3	W3JM (20)...	1960	W3IG* (10)...	310	
		W3BBB (19)...	1881	W3LX (7)...	182	
<i>E. New York</i>		W3BYF (16)...	1152	W3BEN (6)...	165	
W2DG (42)...	19194	W3QM (12)...	756	W3AWS (6)...	136	
W2BYP (41)...	14268	W3BQU (12)...	684	W3ETV (4)...	84	
W2CBO (24)...	4800	W3ANZ (9)...	513	W3CBV (4)...	84	
W2BKW (24)...	3912	W3BPY (10)...	430	W3BYO (4)...	84	
W2EMV (15)...	1635	W3BLG (10)...	320	W3VJ (3)...	36	
W2OA (16)...	1616	W3CPY (8)...	264	W3PN* (3)...	36	
W2ETH (17)...	1377	W3RBN (8)...	240	W3ZE (3)...	36	
W2SN (15)...	1290	W3EE* (8)...	232	W3BJV (2)...	18	
W2QIN (11)...	451	W3EJO* (8)...	200	W3BKZ (2)...	18	
W2BMX (12)...	440	W3ALB (7)...	154			
W2CFU (10)...	420	W3CCF (7)...	119	<i>E. Florida</i>		
W2CGO (7)...	210	W3CWU (6)...	108	W4AJX (44)...	22748	
W2DTB* (7)...	189	W3KT (4)...	72	W4TZ (35)...	9730	

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W7YV	(30)...	9600	WSNV	(35)...	7350	WSANQ	(32)...	5728
W7CFC	(25)...	8750	WSSI	(27)...	5319	WSBLP	(21)...	3087
W7BBN	(29)...	11397 <sup>11</sup>	WSANT	(19)...	3648	WSHJL	(22)...	2288
W7DL	(25)...	6350	WSMT	(27)...	3645	WSBJY	(23)...	1932
W7AVL	(9)...	972	WSRJP	(38)...	3480	WSHJL	(21)...	1767
W7PX	(14)...	868	WSDGP	(18)...	1782	WSCZB	(21)...	1680
W7TS	(9)...	837 <sup>12</sup>	WSANO	(22)...	1606	WSCPO	(19)...	558
W7BGH	(10)...	720	WSCBC	(17)...	1275	WSJTT	(19)...	1501
W7JZ*	(7)...	406	WSCFT	(16)...	1264	WSBEN	(15)...	1275
W7RL	(6)...	342	WSBOS	(16)...	1056	WSCTY	(15)...	1095
W7BBY	(6)...	216	WSBUM	(15)...	965	WSDME	(15)...	1035
W7CAB	(4)...	156	WSERO	(15)...	825	WSACQ	(15)...	945
W7LD	(3)...	72 <sup>13</sup>	WSHAO	(12)...	780	WSERZ	(14)...	910
W7ALZ*	(3)...	36	WSAUP	(15)...	765	WSDHU	(14)...	854
W7JF	(3)...	27	WSKYY	(12)...	672	WSJW	(10)...	570
W7AWM	(2)...	24	WSBGF	(13)...	663	WSDFJ	(8)...	456
W7CCT*	(1)...	3	WSLBP	(12)...	576	WSRFY	(9)...	279 <sup>14</sup>
			WSVZ	(10)...	540	WSDZC	(8)...	272
<i>Oregon</i>			WSENA	(12)...	492	WSGPU	(8)...	240
W7BD	(21)...	4473	WSNP	(11)...	473	WSCKY	(5)...	180
W7FH	(15)...	1395	WSDJJ	(11)...	462	WSAVS	(6)...	180
W7AMX	(8)...	1032	WSDXV	(10)...	380	WSFMX	(7)...	147 <sup>17</sup>
W7AVV	(8)...	504	WSFDG	(9)...	270	WSKAO	(5)...	75
W7AXO	(9)...	459	WSFIV	(7)...	231	WSDHB	(4)...	48
W7BMA	(7)...	322	WSOQ	(8)...	216	WSBUP	(4)...	45
W7AIN	(7)...	238	WSBXC	(7)...	189	WSACK	(2)...	18
W7BPJ	(7)...	231	WSGNN	(8)...	184	WSCSK	(2)...	12
W7UJ	(5)...	200	WSFEQ	(7)...	168	WSAPP*	(2)...	8
W7BUB	(9)...	186	WSCBE*	(4)...	132	WSAKX	(1)...	7
W7DAA	(4)...	92	WSFPL	(6)...	108	WSJTW*	(1)...	3
W7AMP*	(4)...	84	WSCBI	(5)...	75	WSBHK*	(1)...	2
W7COQ	(4)...	84	WSENW	(4)...	48			
W7APG	(4)...	48	WSKJW	(3)...	27	<i>Indiana</i>		
W7BFL	(4)...	48	WSBYM	(3)...	27	WSUW	(40)...	16080
W7LHP	(2)...	42	WSLEA	(2)...	12	WSAEH	(36)...	7632
W7BNK	(3)...	36	WSCFC	(1)...	3	WSGVR	(31)...	5208
W7DQW	(1)...	3	WSBMK	(1)...	3	WSJBT	(27)...	3267
			WSCER	(1)...	3	WSJBT	(27)...	3024
<i>Idaho</i>			WSCZR	(1)...	3	WSBQJ	(14)...	882
W7BYW	(17)...	3366	WSFND	(1)...	3	WSBQE	(6)...	366
W7CMT	(7)...	357				WSBGE	(8)...	216
W7BLT*	(8)...	240	<i>Michigan</i>			WSAPO	(6)...	198
W7A00	(5)...	135	WSAYO	(31)...	6324	WSOHV	(8)...	160
W7ACD	(4)...	88	WSDED	(26)...	4394	WSBQB	(6)...	156
W7BRU	(1)...	3	WSDOI	(30)...	4290	WSAKJ	(5)...	145
			WSRPE	(26)...	3302	WSQOG	(5)...	75
<i>Montana</i>			WSBWB	(23)...	2576	WSAMM	(5)...	75
W7A0D	(10)...	630	WSCPH	(24)...	2448	WSJTP	(3)...	54
W7BVI	(5)...	365	WSGRN	(22)...	2134	WSLQ*	(4)...	48
			WSILNY	(19)...	2052	WSBHM	(2)...	12
			WSDYK	(20)...	1480			
<i>P. Penna</i>			WSCU	(14)...	1050	<i>Illinois</i>		
WSCRA	(48)...	18336	WSCU	(11)...	704	WSADN	(35)...	14490
WSCTE	(31)...	5766	WSCJH	(12)...	660	WSLJ	(36)...	13896
WSDWV	(31)...	5735	WSBTK	(11)...	660	WSRNP	(31)...	12834

Tri-County Radio Association, Rahway, N. J.; W2DC, Schenectady Amateur Radio Association; W2EKM, West Essex Radio Club, Verona, N. J.; W2DHH, Williamsburg Radio Club, Brooklyn, N. Y.; W3CHE, Tidewater Amateur Radio Association, Norfolk, Va.; W3ARN, Delaware Valley Radio Association, Trenton, N. J.; W4CBY (opr. BZ), Atlanta (Ga.) Radio Club;

W5ADZ, Houston (Texas) Amateur Radio Club; W6HEX, Southeast Radio Experimental Association, Bell, Calif.; W8ANQ, Rochester (N. Y.) Amateur Radio Association; W8DWV, Beaver Valley Amateur Radio Club, Rochester, Pa.; W8CBI (Dayton, Ohio) Amateur Radio Association, Inc.; W8KYV, Massillon (Ohio) Amateur

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W9ICO (12)...	384	W9JGF (13)...	1976	VE2DR (11)...	814	AFRICA	D4BMJ (12)...	3744	LA2U (1)...	3
W9PCP (7)...	294	W9MKN (7)...	231	VE2AW (14)...	672	U. of So. Afr.—ZS/	D4BIU (8)...	3152	LA1X* (1)...	3
W9AFB (9)...	261	W9DQD (4)...	72	VE2EW (12)...	504	ZT/ZU	D4UAO (7)...	2212		
W9TH (7)...	252	W9FYG* (2)...	12	VE2HG (10)...	390	ZS2A (11)...	D4BBK (9)...	2070	Switzerland—HB	
W9AZP (7)...	252	W9GBQ* (2)...	12			ZU1E (9)...	D4BKK (9)...	1557	HB9J (8)...	262
W9EAY (8)...	232					ZS1H (10)...	D4BKU (5)...	910	HB9AO (7)...	59
W9FFQ (7)...	231	<i>Iowa</i>				ZS2F (8)...	D4BNN (8)...	840	HB9AG (3)...	13
W9IML (8)...	224	W9AZZ (29)...	3480	Ontario		ZS3F (4)...	D4BNN (8)...	810		
W9KEH (7)...	189	W9FDL (14)...	910	VE3GH (31)...	5456	ZT1R (4)...	D4CAF (8)...	632	Czechoslovakia—OK	
W9LOJ (4)...	144	W9ABE (11)...	462	VE3WA (26)...	3718	ZT1H (6)...	D4BQO (5)...	555	OK1AW (9)...	240
W9ISM (6)...	144	W9HAQ (5)...	105	VE3JZ (19)...	1862	ZT1H (5)...	D4FXF (4)...	264	OK1BC (7)...	73
W9JO (6)...	138	W9CWG (4)...	48	VE3HF (20)...	1780	ZT1H (3)...	D4CET (5)...	210	OK2OP (8)...	294
W9GES (6)...	126	W9MJC (2)...	24	VE3DD (14)...	1120	ZS6AF (3)...	D4BUF (5)...	185	OK2MA (5)...	20
W9CSS (6)...	126	W9HUB (2)...	22	VE3QD (13)...	702	ZS1C (2)...	D4BCT (4)...	160	OK1AZ (3)...	4
W9FAR (5)...	120	W9HCB* (2)...	12	VE3WB (9)...	270	ZS1B (1)...	D4BLU (4)...	128	OK2CM (3)...	3
W9LZQ (5)...	105			VE3XC (6)...	126	ZU6P* (2)...	D4BLU (4)...	116		
W9ISG (4)...	96	<i>Missouri</i>		VE3WV (7)...	119		D4BBL (4)...	92	Netherlands—PA	
W9LLC (4)...	46	W9ASV (18)...	2844	VE3JG (4)...	104	Algeria—FM8	D4BDH (4)...	80	PA0XG (8)...	238
W9WT (3)...	36	W9GJB (17)...	1632	VE3JG (4)...	56	FM8H (10)...	D4BDH (5)...	75	PA0FX (9)...	212
W9CVI (3)...	36	W9FUM (16)...	1392	VE3QO* (2)...	12		D4BAU (4)...	68	PA0GQ (9)...	187
W9SI (3)...	27	W9HJZ (12)...	696	VE3AM* (1)...	3	Madeira—CT3	D4BCN (3)...	45	PA0XG (9)...	168
W9A (2)...	27	W9GDK (13)...	624			CT3AB (10)...	D4BAI (3)...	36	PA0AP (9)...	136
W9KQW (3)...	27	W9GUN (6)...	366	Alberta		CT3AN (4)...	D4BLU (3)...	27	PA0LL (7)...	81
W9EJC (3)...	27	W9HJV (5)...	315	VE4EA (7)...	602	CT3AD (3)...	D4BOM (2)...	18	PA0KK (6)...	29
W9PSI (3)...	27	W9IXO (7)...	217	VE4GD (3)...	81		D4BHK (2)...	12	PA0RP (5)...	28
W9KE (2)...	12	W9FFR (5)...	165	VE4QX (2)...	18	Canary Islands—E48	D4BFF (2)...	12	PA0O (5)...	18
W9LX (2)...	12	W9HON (6)...	144	VE4PH* (1)...	2	EASGCC (7)...	D4BOM (2)...	12	PA0CO (5)...	18
W9REP (2)...	12	W9GTU (5)...	75			EASAH (5)...	D4BOM (2)...	12	PA0ZM (4)...	9
W9LEP (1)...	6	W9KEI (5)...	65	Manitoba			D4BJJ (1)...	6	PA0GH (4)...	9
W9LL (1)...	6	W9LDF (3)...	36	VE4DU (10)...	480	Egypt—SU	D4BBI (1)...	5	PA0FB* (3)...	2
W9NFW (1)...	3	W9LBS (3)...	21	VE4ID (2)...	30	SU1EC (6)...	D4BBI (1)...	5	PA0SD (2)...	12
W9U (1)...	3	W9PTV (2)...	8	VE4IDK (2)...	30		D4BBI (1)...	5	PA0AZ (1)...	6
W9PVH (1)...	3	W9KVN (1)...	4			Kenya—YQ4	D4BNU (1)...	3	PA0HAN (1)...	3
W9FG* (1)...	3	W9ENU (1)...	3	Saskatchewan		VQ4CRO (6)...	D4BNU (1)...	3		
				VE4JV (3)...	45					
Kansas		So. Minn.		VE4IG (3)...	27	EUROPE	Portugal—CT1		North Ireland—GI	
W9GDM (34)...	12716	W9DMA (17)...	1071	VE4IAT (1)...	6	Spain—EA	CT1GJ (11)...	10296	GI5XQ (9)...	196
W9JDY (17)...	1955	W9LJZ (12)...	984	VE4KA (1)...	3	EA5BE (10)...	CT1BY (9)...	2682	GI5UR (4)...	96
W9BEZ (17)...	1904	W9BTH (10)...	540	VE4ICV (1)...	3	EA4AH (12)...	CT1AA (7)...	1901	Azores—CT2	
W9DFY (15)...	1485	W9BHZ (12)...	528			EAI8C (12)...	CT1EL (4)...	120	CT2AW (9)...	1781
W9NMR (7)...	336	W9FNK (11)...	484	Brit. Columbia		EAI8M (8)...				
W9LDP (3)...	42	W9BDW (7)...	168	VE5BI (9)...	1458	EAI8B (6)...				
		W9CXA (5)...	105	VE5HQ (11)...	1276	EAI8D (3)...				
Kentucky		W9DGH (4)...	76	VE5EH (9)...	945					
W9ELL (30)...	9330	W9EYL (2)...	12	VE5FE (7)...	455	Great Britain—G	Belgium—ON		Italy—I	
W9BPB* (9)...	333			VE5FG (8)...	304	G5BY (13)...	ON4AU (13)...	10127	IT1KM (8)...	1368
W9BWJ (7)...	252			VE5ID (5)...	135	G2MA (12)...	ON4FE (9)...	3438	XI1ER (4)...	72
W9PLM (5)...	225	W9BMM (13)...	585	VE5AL* (3)...	45	G2NH (11)...	ON4MT (4)...	220		
W9CIS (3)...	36	W9HDN (10)...	380	VE5G (3)...	45	G2RB (10)...	ON4ZQ* (2)...	12	Finland—OH	
W9AUH (2)...	12	W9LJW (3)...	27	VE5EZ (2)...	30	G2ZQ (12)...			OH5OD (7)...	90
		W9NTM (2)...	12			G5LA (9)...			OH3NP (7)...	201
		W9HNS (1)...	3	ASIA		G2BM (9)...			Saar—EZ	
Wisconsin				Japan—J		G6RB (9)...			EZ4SAX (7)...	721
W9IH (28)...	4816	Nebraska		J2GX (11)...	8162	G6RJ (10)...			Hungary—HAF	
W9RH (28)...	4284	W9HZR (6)...	174	J2HI (7)...	2464	G6GJ (9)...			HAF1G (6)...	678
W9ARE (23)...	2461	W9DFR (4)...	72	J2GY (7)...	2163	G6GS (9)...			HAF3D (5)...	53
W9OT (21)...	2037	W9DMY (3)...	45	J2GW (6)...	1296	G5JU (9)...			HAF4H (8)...	448
W9JM (20)...	2000	W9DGL (1)...	3	J2HE (4)...	984	G6WY (9)...			HAF5D (6)...	441
W9CCI (15)...	1340	W9BBS (1)...	3	J2DP (4)...	712	G6XN (9)...			HAF5H (7)...	371
W9BIB (19)...	1235			J2HD (4)...	600	G6LX (11)...			HAF2D (5)...	243
W9GIL (15)...	1110	No. Dakota		J2HU (5)...	525	G2IO (11)...			HAF5C (2)...	21
W9FQJ (12)...	792	W9EMY (4)...	72	J2J (5)...	520	G2OA (8)...			HAF5C (1)...	6
W9GHN (14)...	630	W9EIG (1)...	6	J2JB (5)...	480	G2WY (9)...				
W9FAV (7)...	337			J2CB (5)...	480	G6QB* (9)...			Lithuania—LY	
W9FAV (8)...	336	So. Dakota		J2HZ (3)...	432	G2AK (7)...			LY1J (7)...	530
W9GCH (9)...	324	W9MQZ (1)...	3	J2CS (2)...	180	G5SR (7)...				
W9BOG (9)...	224			J2CG (2)...	150	G5BD (7)...			Poland—SP	
W9COG (7)...	189	Maritime		J2JX (2)...	108	G6GZ (5)...			SP1DE (6)...	428
W9HFI (4)...	72	VE1DQ (20)...	2920	J2HK (1)...	51	G6GZ (5)...			SP1AR (4)...	69
W9ELQ (4)...	60	VE1EA (17)...	2890	J2JX (2)...	108	G5QY (4)...			SP1A (3)...	36
W9GVL (3)...	54	VE1DR (16)...	1920	J2HK (1)...	48	G6TT (2)...			SP1BC (2)...	12
W9DPT (3)...	27	VE1EP (17)...	1717	J2IV (1)...	27	G2UF (3)...			SP1EB (1)...	10
W9BIO (2)...	12	VE1DO (8)...	536	J2CI (1)...	6	G2URF (2)...				
W9LKF (1)...	6	VE1DE (8)...	264			G5DS (2)...			Danzig—YM	
W9GVF (1)...	3	VE1EX (3)...	63	Hong Kong—VS		G5GQ* (2)...			YM4ZO (6)...	258
W9FTH (1)...	3	VE1EA* (2)...	12	VS6AG (3)...	513					
W9FHU* (1)...	3			VS6AE (2)...	204	Germany—D	Norway—LA		Austria—OE	
		Quebec				D4BAR (13)...	LA1G (9)...	3375	OE1ER (4)...	156
Colorado		VE2AX (36)...	9036	Burma—VU		D4BDR (12)...	LA1R (9)...	1620		
W9FYV (18)...	4320	VE2EE (24)...	2976	VU2LZ (1)...	6		LA1V (7)...	259	Con't'd on page 44	



# The Convention Season Progresses

Large Attendances and High Enthusiasm Characterize This Year's Gatherings

## The Atlantic Division Convention

THE Hotel Schenley at Pittsburgh, June 22d and 23d, was a regular beehive of hams representing every section of the division. From the time that "Bill" Martin, W8CNZ, chairman of the convention, called the delegates to order until the award of the last prize, there was not an idle moment. The preparation of this affair, under the auspices of the Amateur Transmitters' Association, South Hills Brasspounders, Beaver Valley Amateur Radio Club and the Amateur Communications Club, gave evidence, as the program progressed, of careful planning by the committee presided over by A. P. Sunnergren, W8FTY.

Director Woodruff, W8CMP, started the program with a lecture on "Radio Building Blocks" clearly demonstrating how to avoid spending a fortune on the building of a transmitter or other units. Following this, H. L. Buechner of Westinghouse, covered the subject of miniature radio instruments fully and H. V. Noble of the Gulf Research Labs delivered a splendid talk on "Short-Wave Superhet Designs." Other fine lectures were given by R. S. Kruse and John L. Reinartz. Clark C. Rodimon, W1SZ, and A. A. Hebert, treasurer, represented A.R.R.L. The convention was honored by having present Chas. H. Stewart, Vice-President A.R.R.L., who spoke on legislative matters in Washington. During the convention two meetings of the 'phone and traffic groups were held, with Dr. Simpson, W8CPC, and SCM C. H. Grossarth, W8CUG, respectively, in charge. In the traffic meeting W3BYS represented Eastern Pennsylvania and W8GPS, Western New York. W8HD, Hoffman, SCM for West Virginia, assisted as a visitor. Outstanding events of the convention were demonstrations by Dr. Phillips Thomas of Westinghouse and Dr. J. O. Perrine of Bell Laboratories. Motion pictures of the Board of Directors were shown for the first time and Mr. Fabian, W8GJM (through whose courtesy the motion picture projector was obtained) was later responsible for some fine entertainment at the banquet. The efforts of W8BIT, in charge of the prizes, enabled practically every delegate to receive a remembrance.

More than 400 people attended the banquet. Under the guiding hand of Toastmaster Dr. Simpson, the guests, speakers and professional entertainers enjoyed a high degree of conviviality. The climax of the evening was the choice of the next convention city, which, after a spirited contest, went to the Syracuse delegation.

—A. A. H.

## The Indiana State A.R.R.L. Convention—South Bend, Ind.

AT the Oliver Hotel, South Bend, the registration desk opened to a waiting line at 9 a.m. Friday, June 8th.

The convention itself opened with a bang at 2 p.m. with a trip through the "Silver Edge" Brewery, with plenty of free refreshment for all. This was followed with trips through the local A. T. & T. repeater station; The Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's power house at Twin Branch, and WPGN, the South Bend Police radio station. The evening was given over to the visiting of local ham shacks. Cars and guides were furnished by local members of the club.

On Saturday morning the Sectional Meetings were held. Cummings, W9FQ, of Valparaiso gave a traffic talk; Crawford, W9CBN, of South Bend, a talk on the N.C.R.; and Bartlett, W9JHY, of Indianapolis conducted a talk and general discussion on the subject of 'phone. After the crowd had assembled in the auditorium after lunch, F. H. Schnell gave a talk on r.f. amplifier efficiency, and a demonstration concerning automatic transmission, code speed, and the proper adjustment of a bug key. Boyd Phelps next gave plenty of good dope on antennas. Following this Professor Johnson (we think that was an alias) set up an elaborate apparatus and gave a demonstration and lecture on improving the output of tubes by coating their envelopes with some chemical, the formula for which was two feet long. Unfortunately an accident resulted in an explosion, ruining his demonstration. After the smoke cleared away, the tube was found to be well coated. Most of those present were not inclined to take this seriously, and some bolder ones even laughed out loud! A short discussion of League policies and happenings at the recent Board meeting was lead by Director Windom of Columbus, Ohio and Rex Munger, W9LIP, of Minneapolis-St. Paul.

The gang assembled during the early evening for the banquet, at which excellent entertainment was furnished in the form of music and songs. After the banquet J. L. Reinartz, W1QP, presented the tales of his trip North.

Sunday morning started off with a talk by F. H. Schnell on antenna measurement and efficiency. This was followed by another talk by Reinartz on antenna mastering; the use of the oscilloscope, demonstrating modulation from zero to over 100% and a new one-tube 5-meter circuit.

The convention ended at noon with the awarding of a large number of fine prizes. Those who remained for the afternoon attended an air circus at the municipal airport. Amateurs from Illinois, Minnesota, Ohio, Michigan, as well as Indiana were present at the convention, but the real DX record goes to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Libbe, W5BBR, of McAllen, Texas, who registered Friday noon after several days of driving.

Credit for the success of the convention goes to the St. Joseph Valley Amateur Radio Club, which sponsored the convention, the South Bend Chamber of Commerce, the Oliver Hotel, and the various manufacturers who coöperated.

—C. R. Putnam, W9AKJ, Secy.  
S.J.V.A.R.C.

### South Dakota's Convention

THE convention this year at Huron, South Dakota, run under the auspices of the Huron Radio Club, proved a characteristic success.

Talks were given by Max Staley of KSOO, Sioux Falls; Elmer Bayles, W9BAE; Eddie Smith and Rex Munger. Side trips to various points of interest proved a great attraction but the highlight of the whole affair was undoubtedly a 56-mc. demonstration of communication between plane and ground. In spite of very unfavorable flying weather (a bad dust storm in the morning) W9CFU, piloting the plane, maintained completely satisfactory two-way contact with a pair of ground stations. All three sides of the conversation were fed into a public address system.

Fargo and Valley City, North Dakota and North Platte and two other Nebraska towns were represented as well as a dozen South Dakota points. Everybody had a swell time.

### Massachusetts State Convention, Provincetown

PROVINCETOWN, on Cape Cod, must be a rather cramped and over-full little town even in the dead of winter. One simple way to turn the village upside down and inside out is to give it some typically beautiful summer weather, bring in about 30 ships of the U. S. Scouting Fleet and then stage a swell ham convention. All those things happened simultaneously on July 28th and 29th.

Sponsored by the Provincetown Radio Club, the convention provided a high time for the several hundred that attended. The technical session, under the wing of New England Division Director

George Bailey, brought forth a wealth of dope. Mr. Fletcher of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company described in detail the new directive 63-mc. telephone link between the Cape and Boston (and did everybody prick up their ears!); John Reinartz covered all sides of the blackboard with circuits and ideas and Mr. MacDonald of the Lighthouse Service gave the inside



R.S.G.B. CONVENTIONETTE, HELD AT BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND, MARCH 18TH

From left to right in the front row are the following: (1) G2DV; (3) G6LL; (4) G2OA; (6) G6JQ; (7) G6LL; (8) G6CL, Sec'y R.S.G.B.; following, in order: G5VM, G5BJ, G6NJ, G5NI and G6CJ. Directly in back of G6CJ will be seen G5ML, and at his right, G6ZU. Second row, left to right: G2AK, and at his left in back row is G5TL.

story of radio beacons. K. B. Warner and Ross A. Hull of Headquarters also talked.

Warner chaired the evening session at which Lt. Myers, U.S.N., lead off with an illuminating description of the part radio plays in Naval maneuvers. Mr. Meeder of the Naval Communications Reserve then discussed the activities of the Reserve and opened the way for Dick Purinton of Raytheon and Arthur Lynch to continue the technical program. Reinartz followed with a fine showing of his oscilloscope. One highlight of the evening was a demonstration and talk by Theodore McElroy, for many years the world's fastest radio operator. Distribution of a couple of truck loads of prizes carried activities late into the night.

An important feature of the gathering was the presence of many mobile 56-mc. stations. Rag-chewing between the cars around town and en route provided a brand new thrill and left all the gang wildly enthusiastic about mobile work.

—R. A. H.

### Perth Amboy, N. J., Hamfest

ONE of the largest body of radio amateurs ever assembled gathered on the waterfront at Perth Amboy, New Jersey, on June 16th and established a world's record in hamfests. There were 950 paid admissions to the Tri-County Radio Association hamfest; our personal count showed more than a thousand people in the main

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# What the League Is Doing

League Activities, Washington Notes, Board Actions—For Your Information

## Election Notice

To all A.R.R.L. Members residing in the Central, Hudson, New England, Northwestern, Roanoke, Rocky Mountain and West Gulf divisions of A.R.R.L.:

You are hereby notified that, in accordance with the constitution, an election is about to be held in each of the above-mentioned divisions to elect, for the 1935-1936 term, both an A.R.R.L. director and an alternate director. Your attention is invited to Sec. 1 of Article IV of the Constitution, providing for the government of A.R.R.L. by a Board of Directors; Sec. 2 of Article IV, defining their eligibility; By-laws 10 to 20, providing for their nomination and election; and By-law 11, providing for the simultaneous election of an alternate director. Copy of the constitution and by-laws will be mailed any member upon request.

Voting will take place between November 1 and December 20, 1934, on ballots which will be mailed from the headquarters office in the first week of November. The ballots for each division will list, in one column, the names of all eligible candidates nominated for the office of director by A.R.R.L. members residing in that division; and, in another column, all those similarly named for the office of alternate director. Each member will indicate his choice for each office.

Nomination is by petition. Nominating petitions are hereby solicited. Ten or more A.R.R.L. members residing in any one division have the right to nominate any member of the League residing in that division as a candidate for director therefrom, or as a candidate for alternate director therefrom. No person may simultaneously be a candidate for the office of both director and alternate director. A separate petition must be filed for the nomination of each candidate, whether for director or for alternate director. The following form for nomination is suggested:

(Place and date)

Executive Committee  
American Radio Relay League  
West Hartford, Conn.

Gentlemen:

We, the undersigned members of the A.R.R.L. residing in the ..... Division, hereby nominate ..... of ..... as a candidate for director [or for alternate director, as the case may be] from this division for the 1935-1936 term.

(Signatures and addresses)

The signers must be League members in good standing. The nominee must be a League member in good standing and must be without commercial radio connections: he may not be commercially engaged in the manufacture, selling or renting of radio apparatus or literature. His complete name and address should be given. All such petitions must be filed at the headquarters office of the League in West Hartford, Conn., by noon of the first day of November, 1934. There is no limit to the number of petitions that may be filed, but no member shall append his signature to more than one petition for the office of director and one petition for the office of alternate director.

Present directors from these divisions are as follows: *Central*, Mr. Loren G. Windom, W8GZ-W8ZG, Columbus, Ohio; *Hudson*, Mr. Bernard J. Fuld, W2BEG, New York City; *New England*, Mr. G. W. Bailey, W1KH, Weston, Mass.; *Northwestern*, Mr. Ralph J. Gibbons, W7KV-W7BIX, Portland, Oregon; *Roanoke*, Professor H. L. Caveness, W4DW, Raleigh, N. C.; *Rocky Mountain*, Mr. Russell J. Andrews, W9AAB, Denver, Colorado; *West Gulf*, Mr. Frank M. Corlett, W5ZC, Dallas, Texas.

These elections constitute an important part of the machinery of self-government in A.R.R.L. They provide the constitutional opportunity for members to put the direction of their association in the hands of representatives of their own choice. Members are urged to take the initiative and file nominating petitions immediately.

For the Board of Directors:

K. B. WARNER,  
Secretary

August 1, 1934

**C.C.I.R.** The third meeting of the *Comite Consultatif International des Radio-communications* will be held at Lisbon, Portugal, in September and October. Amateur radio is to be represented by the International Amateur Radio Union, which the recent Madrid conference admitted to participation. The Union will be represented by its secretary, Kenneth B. Warner, and James J. Lamb, *QST's* technical editor, as technical adviser. Their trip is financed by an appropriation made by the Board of the A.R.R.L., which is the headquarters society of the Union.

The C.C.I.R. is a creature of the International Telecommunication Convention and generally meets every five years midway between the conferences held to revise the international regula-

tions. It does not have the power to make binding decisions, but it studies technical questions, and administrative questions the solution of which rests primarily upon technical considerations, and makes technical findings which are issued in the form of "opinions." Some three dozen questions are slated for discussion at the Lisbon meeting, ranging from pure science to such commonplace things as the cure of key clicks. The special significance of this meeting to amateurs is that it represents the first occasion upon which we have been admitted to participation in the work of the C.C.I.R. in our own name as amateurs—one of the achievements of A.R.R.L. and the United States delegation at the Madrid Conference.

## Foreign Traffic

Third-party traffic with Peru is now permissible. The Department of State has negotiated a special arrangement for us, at the initiative of the League, and it is now agreed that amateurs of Peru and the United States may interchange messages on behalf of third parties, provided that such messages are of the character that would not normally be sent by any existing means of electrical communication, nor except for the availability of the amateur stations, and on which no compensation is directly or indirectly paid. The arrangement applies to the United States and its territories and possessions including Alaska, the Hawaiian Islands, Porto Rico, the Virgin Islands, the Panama Canal Zone and the Philippine Islands.

The Madrid regulations state that, except where we have a special arrangement with another country, amateurs may not handle international messages that emanate from a third party. There is, however, no restriction in the international treaty to prevent an amateur operator from originating messages himself that are destined to a third party in a foreign country. Such messages may lawfully be handled by the amateurs in the two countries concerned whether there is a "special arrangement" or not, always provided that the handling of messages is not forbidden by the domestic laws and the terms of the licenses of either amateur—which unfortunately it is in most foreign countries. Judicious use of this possibility may on occasion be of great benefit.

It is also to be noted that the control which the Madrid regulations exercise over a message relates only to its transmission by radio. There is no restriction against the handling of a message by radio as great a distance as can be accomplished under special arrangements and then mailing it to destination. For example, a message from the United States to Singapore may be accepted by a Philippine amateur and mailed by him. Again, imagine that four countries, A, B, C and D, are parties to the Madrid convention and that a "special arrangement" exists only

between B and C. Further imagine a message originating in A and destined to a party in D. It may not be sent direct by radio, but it may be mailed from A to B, sent by radio from B to C, and mailed from C to D.

## A.R.R.L.'s QSL System

First, a notice to amateurs of the fifth call area: OM Stanton, W5ACA, has found it necessary to relinquish the appointment of QSL Manager for the fifth call area, and his place will be taken by the New Orleans Radio Club, through its secretary, E. H. Treadaway, W5DKR, 2749 Myrtle Street, New Orleans. With our thanks to W5ACA for his fine pioneer work and his service to his fellow-hams during the past year, we include our appreciation of the spirit of the N.O.R.C. for taking over the work. FB, OM's.

While we're about it, we'll briefly review the system for the benefit of new hams. The A.R.R.L. sponsors a free QSL forwarding service for American amateurs, the work being conducted by volunteer QSL Managers in each U. S. and Canadian district. Foreign societies bundle up the American-bound QSL cards of their hams, send them to A.R.R.L. Hq. We sort the cards into districts, shoot them to the QSL Managers, who insert them in a file of envelopes—one envelope for each amateur—and mail the envelopes out. To get cards intended for you, purchase a standard No. 8 stamped envelope, put your name and address in the usual place on the front, *print* your call in the *upper-left-hand corner* of the face of the envelope, and send the envelope to your district QSL Manager. Don't forget to make it a stamped envelope—QSL Managers can't afford to pay postage out of their own pockets. When you get cards back, send the QSL Manager another envelope to replace the one used up. Here are the QSL Managers for U. S. and Canada:

- W1—Allen W. Jones, W1NW, 1626 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass.
- W2—H. W. Yahnel, W2SN, Lake Ave., Helmetta, N. J.
- W3—R. E. Macomber, W3CZE, 418 10th St., N. W., Washington, D. C.
- W4—B. W. Benning, W4CBY, 520 Whiteford Ave., Atlanta, Ga.
- W5—E. H. Treadaway, W5DKR, 2749 Myrtle St., New Orleans, La.
- W6—C. E. Spitz, W6FZQ, Box 1804, Phoenix, Ariz.
- W7—L. W. Kelly, W7BPC, 4919 So. Prospect St., Tacoma, Wash.
- W8—F. W. Allen, W8GER, 324 Richmond Ave., Dayton, O.
- W9—H. C. DeMuth, W9FJB, 1411 Dempster St., Evanston, Ill.
- VE1—J. E. Roue, VE1FB, 84 Spring Garden Rd., Halifax, N. S.
- VE2—Stan Comach, 1088 Egan Ave., Verdun, P. Q.
- VE3—Bert Knowles, VE3QB, Lanark, Ont.
- VE4—Dr. J. J. Dobry, VE4DR, Killam, Alberta.
- VE5—E. H. Cooper, VE5EC, 2024 Carnarvon St., Victoria, B. C.

## Portables Called In

Inasmuch as a license for a fixed amateur station also authorizes portable operation, separate portable station licenses are unnecessary. Many that were issued under the old regulations, before the portable privilege became automatic, are still in existence. Through the League, the F.C.C. requested that amateurs voluntarily submit these unnecessary licenses for cancellation, and many of them were surrendered. The Commission has now definitely called in all the remaining portables issued to the holders of fixed licenses, so that it may clear its records of this duplication and deadwood. Amateurs possessing separate portable licenses should now submit them direct to the Commission at Washington for cancellation.

## Visiting the Members

The late summer and autumn are the convention seasons in most parts of the country, and every year at this time a headquarters representative takes the field for extended trips to visit the membership. Mr. Arthur Hebert, the League's treasurer, is engaged by the Board of Directors for this purpose. In early August, Hebie sets out on the first of two long trips. His first one, lasting nearly five weeks and covering nearly 9000 miles, takes him to the conventions of the Northwestern, Rocky Mountain, Midwest and Central Divisions, and to eleven smaller gatherings. After a rest of a few weeks he starts on an even longer trip to visit the conventions of the Roanoke, Delta, Southeastern, West Gulf and Pacific Divisions, and again a large number of smaller groups. When these trips are over he will have carried to thousands of members in hundreds of cities the latest news on what the League is doing, and through this liaison we shall have at the headquarters a renewed knowledge of the problems of the individual amateur. For eleven years this mechanism has been in operation, and Hebie probably knows and is known by more hams than any other amateur in America.

Division conventions always occur at week-ends, and the fieldman on these trips visits them one each week, the intervening time being spent in travel from one to the next, stopping off to visit clubs, hamfests, and SCMs. The division conventions are like large beads on a string, or, to use an electrical analogy, it is a series circuit. To provide reasonable economy of time and money, so as to be able to afford to visit all the conventions, some systematic arrangement is necessary to put them in a series circuit. That is why the Board of Directors has established a plan that assigns the approximate dates at which the convention should be held in each division. Not meddling dictation, it is simply an attempt to arrange the order in which conventions are held in such a manner that it will be possible

to have contact between the membership and the headquarters at all of them. Committees arranging division conventions are requested to note that an official approved plan exists which suggests approximate dates for the convention in each division, and that the work of the League will be greatly facilitated if they will consult the fieldman before definitely setting the dates for their conventions.

Meanwhile, Hebie is "on tour" and will BCNU.

## For Alaskan Hams

In Alaska the distances are great, the population is sparse and travel is difficult.

The business of finding a code examiner and a notary public, so easy for the Class-C applicant in the United States, becomes an extreme difficulty in most parts of Alaska. For some months the League has been working to improve the conditions for its Alaskan members and to this end has obtained from the F.C.C. exact information on the classes of persons authorized in Alaska to receive oaths on station applications and on the service of military officers in administering oaths for operator applications. At the intercession of the League, Rule 407 was expanded to permit giving the code examination by an operator in the government service, thus making all the "Wamecats" eligible to befriend their amateur acquaintances. Finally, the League secured from the Commission a complete list of the commercial and amateur radiotelegraph operators in Alaska whose licenses are of grades acceptable for acting as the code examiner for a Class-C applicant. All this material has been put in the form of a mimeographed memorandum, a copy of which any Alaskan inquirer may obtain upon application either from the A.R.R.L. SCM for Alaska, Mr. Richard J. Fox, Box 301, Ketchikan, or direct from A.R.R.L. headquarters.

The Communications Act absolutely requires that an application for a station license be sworn to before a notary public or a person having like authority to administer oaths. But in the case of an application for an amateur operator license only (not for a station license), the Commission will accept an application executed before a military officer authorized by the 114th Article of War to administer oaths for the administration of military justice. Hams on army posts will find this convenient, though they still have to go down to the village to get an N.P. to swear at the station application.

## Blob

We read in one of the more colorful radio journals that membership in the League was originally confined to licensed amateurs but, back in 1920, was improperly and wickedly changed, for money-making motives and to the injury of members. The facts: The first constitution of the League provided that "Any one interested or engaged in radio telegraphy or

telephony shall be eligible to membership." After the war the constitution was revised, but the provision for eligibility to membership remained in exactly these words. The constitution was again revised on December 18, 1923, and at that time minor changes were made in the language: "Any person engaged in or interested in amateur radio shall be eligible to membership." This language is still in effect. There never has been a requirement in A.R.R.L. which confined membership to licensed amateurs, and neither in 1920 nor at any other time has there ever been a change in this respect. However, by a recent amendment the right to vote is substantially confined to those who are licensed amateurs.

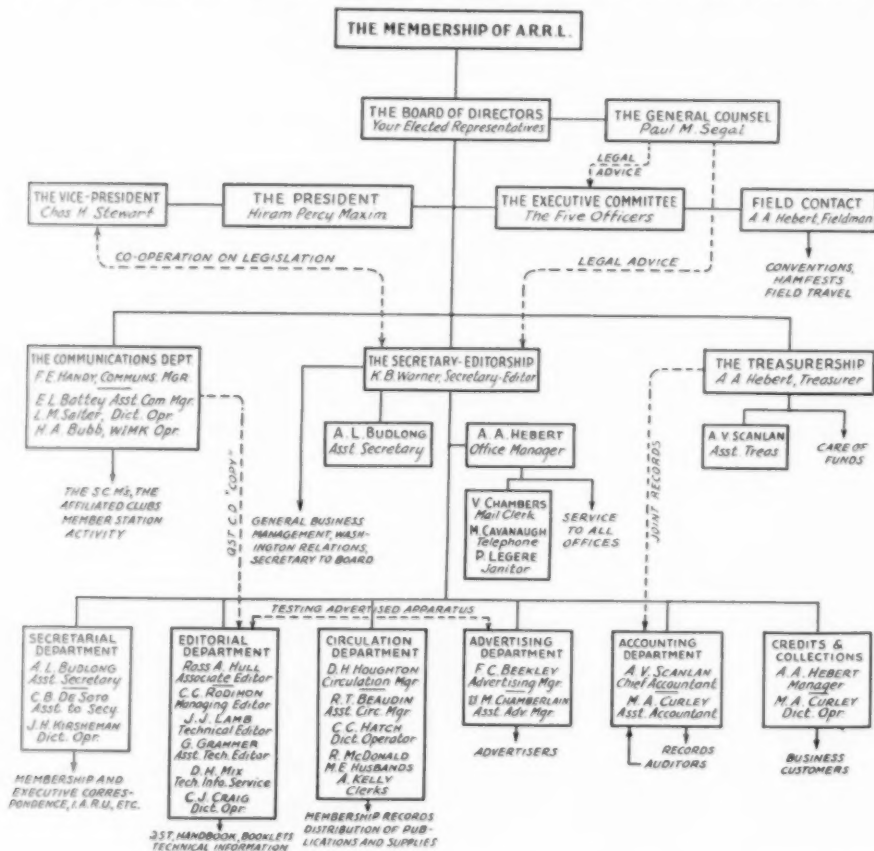
## Wiring Diagram

What does the League do for me? Where do the League earnings go that are shown on these operating statements? Who are the fellows at headquarters, and where does so-and-so fit? Why are there so many of them? What do I get out of being a member?

Questions like this are frequently asked us. As an aid in answering them we have prepared

the attached hook-up of the League. In it each official of the League and member of the headquarters has been placed and labeled in his proper relation to the others. A little examination of this diagram should clear up many a member's questions.

"On top of the heap," and as the original source of authority, is the membership of the League—as it must be in a coöperative self-governing organization. The members lodge the duty of governing their affairs with their elected representatives, the Board of Directors, presided over by the president, whom the Board selects. The three salaried officers of the League—the executive secretary, the treasurer and the communications manager—head up the headquarters proper. They are appointed by the Board of Directors and in all their affairs operate under the close control of the Board. Each has his own staff to assist him in carrying out the duties assigned him by the constitution, along the policy lines dictated by the Board. These headquarters officers report directly to the Board and generally receive direct instructions from the Board. But they are also under the supervision of the





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president (with his assistant, the vice-president) and the Executive Committee, as may be seen from an examination of the chart. Occasionally the Board refers some question that needs further study to the Executive Committee, whose decisions then become binding upon all the officers, and the committee also provides a place where each officer may take his problems during the year for joint solution and the mutual information of the other officers. The committee operates under a limited grant of authority given it by the Board and all of its actions must subsequently be ratified by the Board. Thus there exists rather extensive machinery between the membership and the headquarters officers, for the express purpose of translating into policy-instructions the majority wishes of the membership and of seeing that they are carried out.

In the diagram we have endeavored to show as fully as possible the work carried on by each section of the headquarters. Important liaisons are indicated by dotted lines. A little study should enable you to identify any member of the staff in whom you are interested and get a general idea of his duties.

Twenty-eight full-time salaried employees are necessary to carry on the work of the headquarters. The income of the League is derived chiefly from membership dues and the sale of advertising space, newsstand copies of *QST*, and the Handbook and other publications put out by the League at nominal cost. Most of it is expended for carrying on the work of the League, for the League has no shareholders for which it must earn dividends, and it can expend for the advancement of amateur radio all of the money that it takes in. The published operating statements of the League almost always show an annual profit, but this is only the gain from routine operations and the money thereby put into surplus is later expended by the Board of Directors for additional League projects that do not come under the head of routine operations. The aim of League management is to make a steady but quite small net addition to the surplus of the League, for "hard times," but with the realization that there is no point in building up a huge surplus and that the maximum good can be accomplished by expending available funds for the aid of amateur radio. The management problem, of course, is not how to find means to spend the money but rather how to stretch what we have to do the maximum good. Since the war the League has disbursed several million dollars in building up amateur radio and advancing the interests of its members. Annual disbursements average seven or eight dollars per member; the member pays only \$2.50 in dues (less than the cost of twelve copies of *QST* from the newsstand), the rest of the money being earned by the headquarters from permissible activities in other fields, largely advertising. This astonishingly large per-capita disburse-

ment finances a large number of activities and services to amateur radio. It provides the money for the expenses of maintaining constitutional government, holding elections for directors, paying the expenses of Board meetings and the administrative expenses of directors in their divisions during the year. It of course provides *QST*, our own magazine with our own news, and *QST*'s laboratory where work constantly goes on to adapt new ideas to our new problems. It similarly makes available the Handbook and the several booklets of the League at nominal prices within the reach of every amateur. It maintains our Communications Department, for the purpose of coördinating our operating activities and enabling each one of us to have more enjoyment from the pursuit of amateur radio on the air—and it covers not only the headquarters end of the Communications Department but the field organization of SCMs and their appointees, and the headquarters station WIMK. It provides a constant informed watching of the interests of the amateur at Washington and in the international scene, and the representation of his interests both at home and abroad in accordance with determinations made by the Board. It provides a general headquarters for the business management of our affairs and for the distribution of general, technical and legal advice to individual members, for the encouragement of affiliated clubs, the fostering of a general spirit of fellowship and unity as manifested in our conventions, field travel, national publicity, our ability to act as the central organization of the I.A.R.U., and so on and so on.

The headquarters officers keep the directors minutely informed on all the happenings in their respective provinces, and the directors have outlined in principle, and frequently in minute specification, just what each officer is to do with respect to the things that are his part of A.R.R.L. administration. Sometimes these orders from the Board are distasteful to a group of the membership, as is only natural, but they always represent the operation of democratic self-government and are decisions taken in the interests of the greatest good to the greatest number—which is the best system of government that mankind has yet devised.

As a matter of interesting fact, A.R.R.L. is unique in the American scene—a flourishing self-governing non-commercial organization of the devotees of a marvelous hobby. We amateurs are its only owners. Our accomplishment in building it is as important as our operating accomplishments. We ought to be proud indeed of it!

### Strays

W9TE thinks that R. F. Cutting, W8KQZ, should go in for high-frequency surgery!

## Second A.R.R.L. Field Day Results

**E**ARLY in June, scores of hams in each U. S. district responded to the annual call for an outing and field day test of portables. Canada was well represented, even though special permission must be obtained before VE hams can work portable on frequencies other than in the 56-mc. band.

Many affiliated A.R.R.L. clubs took the lead in plans for a trek to the lakes or hilltops. Power supplies were gathered up; portable gear brought out of storage; finishing touches added to newly constructed sets, and certain plans for the outing made, that all members might have fun and benefit in the activities scheduled nationally for June 9th and 10th. In addition to club plans, many individual amateurs took part, parties of two or three working together in most cases.

Only portable stations actually operated away from their home address were eligible to submit Field Day scores. Each contact made by a portable with a different station counted a point. The total of points was multiplied by factors (1, 2, or 3), depending on whether the transmitter or receiver, or both, were independent of commercial

brewed black coffee. The reliability, efficiency (and deficiencies too—hi) of quickly-constructed and set-up portable equipment was demonstrated. The size of the scores reported evaluates only the communications value or achievements of portable stations. Regardless of the standing of stations, every report without exception makes it unanimous that a profitable and very swell time was had by all.

While dynamotors were popular, many battery-powered sets were in the field, and gas-engine-driven units were used in several instances.

A noteworthy item: 40% of all the portables reporting used crystal-control. Push-pull ar-



THE EGYPTIAN RADIO CLUB'S OPERATORS

The Egyptian Radio Club's, '47, 46 transmitter (also 18 watts) placed second in the country due to the efforts of (standing, left to right) W9FYZ, W9KEH, W9NDB, W9BLL, W9BPN, W9DJG, operators.



W6DIS/6

This '41 '10 3690-cc. rig with 18 watts from a 400-volt gas engine generator power supply won the A.R.R.L. Field Day, June 10th-11th.

power supply mains. Also a similar multiplier gave extra credits to stations using under 20 watts input, and suitable credit for using less than 60 watts.

Encamped in tents, in cottages, exposed to the hazards of open fields and pastures, portables were put to work. Where clubs took a holiday, part of each group handled radio operation by shifts while others indulged in swimming, sports in the open, and still others prepared camp sites or

rangements of TNT, Hartley, T.P.T.G. and Colpitts were fairly numerous. Several used the Tri-tet arrangement. In most cases a '47, 42, 41, 37, 31, or '01A was used as crystal oscillator, usually followed by a 46, '10, '45 or '12. Single '71A and '45 tubes were also used. Crystal-control, because of its assurance of "in band" operation, easy solution of the problem of obtaining frequency stability and a good note under trying conditions, proved extremely popular.

The highest scoring station, and also the runner-up for honors, both used crystal-control. The United Radio Amateurs Club of Torrance, California (W6DIS/6), located its station in the Palos Verdes Hills, 1500 feet above sea level. Fifty-eight QSOs were made. Twenty operators were present. No sleep for anyone Saturday night! A compact receiver ('77 det. and '37 audio) was used for the contest. A 400-volt d.c. generator supplied 45 mls to the final and fed the oscillator through a dropping resistor. The Egyptian Radio Club (W9AIU) reported 56 QSOs. The station was set up in the base of a handstand in a park on bluffs overlooking the Mississippi, about 250 feet above the river. The gang made a real camping trip of it, and stayed four days. This storage battery dynamotor-operated station used the portable receivers of W9BPN and W9DJG. Three transmitters and four receivers were ready in case

of equipment failure. Both W6DIS and W9AIU used the 80-meter band. W5AI/2, station of Sidney Shore located in N. Y. C. placed third in the scoring. He used 7 mc. altogether, and while he kept the power below 20 watts, a.c. supply was used on the transmitter, which rolled up 76 QSOs during the test. VE3KC, station of the Western Ontario Amateur Radio Association, operated by VE3PA, VE3DU, VE3WW, VE3VR, VE3LW, VE3QC and VE3KC upheld the honor of Canada, making 70 contacts using '10s and a gas engine-driven generator.

A few stations attempted work in more than one band. Most, however, worked in one particular band. 48.3% of all QSOs reported in logs were in the 80-meter band. 30.7% of the work was done using 7 mc., 19% (all 'phone) on 56 mc., and 2% on 14 mc. 'Phone contacts constituted 21.7%, and telegraph contacts 78.3% of all communications reported.

56 mc., being a popular band this summer, came in for more than usual attention. The most outstanding Field Day report of 56-mc. work came from W1HDQ/1, station of Mr. E. P. Tilton. Using 112A's PP, 19 Class B modulator, and a 31 driver, he made 36 QSOs from Mt. Monadnock, at 3166 feet elevation, near Jaffrey, N. H. W1BYK/1 on 56 mc. had 27 QSOs.

The complete tabulation of scores reported credits each log of Field Day work received. We wish we might have space to reproduce all photographs and pass on the interesting data received. The best we can do is to present the winning stations and tabulate all results. Many more clubs and individual groups were in the field than last year. From Lake Tahoe to Mt. Washington hams were active.

"Enough junk to break an elephant's back—lanterns, fishing tackle, and radio. The camp site left nothing to be desired, but we found later it was a poor place for a radio transmitter. Our converter blew up rectifier tubes in rapid succession. Alternately pounded the key, cussed, fought bugs, and drank coffee all night long. Much was learned. Another? We shall start out soon as we get a power supply that won't fold up . . . pick a bald knob where there are no trees to sidetrack the soup from the antenna. More power to the Field Day."—M.A.R.S., W8KYC.

"At the end of the day the Hartley transmitter was put into the back seat of the car, and a 10-foot antenna strung up between 4-foot poles and the transmitter put on the air at every stop of the car. With only two 45-volt batteries on it, W9KWJ worked the Pike's Peak Amateur Association portable station W9OKY during the trip back to town."—W9EHC.

W4NC reports that eleven of the Winston-Salem Club turned out. They used a 500-watt a.c.



THE UNITED RADIO AMATEUR'S CLUB WITH PORTABLE W6DIS OF WILMINGTON, CALIF.

Standing (left to right): W6EZB, W6HYX, W6HBC, W6HLF, W6EDW, W6BEX, W6IGY, W6EGQ. In front (left to right): W6GVL, W6GZO, W6DIS (black sweater), W6CSO, W6FVR, W6DCF, W6IWI, W6HCF, W6CIP.

self-excited generator run by an Austin engine, mounted on an Austin chassis. This lighted Top Hanging Rock Mountain with a dozen incandescent lamps as well as giving 16 watts for the transmitter.

Among the woes of the C.I.R.C. (Lake Bloomington, Ill.) were scratched arms, torn trousers, skinned ankles, and mosquito bites. Three kittens found in a box in the cabin were accepted as mascots. "We were glad to see the end, but happy to know we had portable equipment that was reliable under trying conditions. Come on Field Day 1935!"

W6AHJ of El Cerrito operated from Lake Tahoe. W3DZK made 35 contacts with only 70 stations called, plus a few CQs. Operation was by lantern light—a swell set-up. W3QV/3 reports 56% of his calls were answered and worked. His portable was not one for the occasion only, but is kept ready for emergencies. W1BYK-ABG wants another Field Day right off. He says to keep the "simulated emergency" (preparedness) idea going strong.

W8PO says, "Ohio participation much wider this year, judging from the number of BT8 contacts made. W4BJS (Fla.), located on the gulf, used a palm tree and a century plant to hold up the respective ends of his antenna. W8DGT/4 at St. Pete (Fla.) also used an a.c. generator run from the fan belt of an Austin for power."

"Fifth place with W9NFV last year. This year a terrible showing, ruined a lot of radio stuff, had much tough luck, but never had a better time in our lives." W9AIW, W9LPZ and W9KGX kept the latter call on the air from the shore of a lake.

W3DUU, portable of the W.R.C.S., was installed at Lenape Park, Pa., with 37 in attendance, including fellows from the Chester and Frankford Radio Clubs. Wind and rain, so we decided to sue A.R.R.L. for permitting such weather . . . but after the storm there were still several hours of fun. Swimming and canoeing went best while QRN was heavy.

W9GBP/2 says 600 miles was his best DX. On the air 17½ hours, he averaged a contact every 21 minutes with P.P. '45s. The Buckeye Short-wave Radio Association's station, W8BSR, was installed at Munroe Falls Park, Ohio. W8IOI, W8KXP successfully operated W8KCS for the Boys' Club of St. Mary's. The Akron Progressive Short Wave Club ran its sets off two auto bats connected in parallel . . . they were still going strong at the end. W2DOG was set up on Bald Hill, 300 feet high, on Sunday. The transmitter was the exciter unit from the home station. W3DVY portable was battery operated at The House of Prayer, Limkiln Pike and Church Lane, Philadelphia, Pa., by the H.O.P.R.S.

#### FIELD DAY PARTICIPATION

Club Scores		Score Nr. QSOs		Power <sup>1</sup> Mains <sup>2</sup>		Comm'l for
W6DIS/6	The United Radio Amateurs' Club	522	58	18	—	
W9AIU/9	Egyptian Radio Club	304	56	18	—	
W9AYO	Central Illinois Radio Club	441	43+6	20 R (10'')		
W9OKY/9	Pikes Peak Amateur Radio Association	270	10+14+9	20	—	
W4NC/4	Winston-Salem Amateur Radio Club, Inc.	270	30	16	—	
W8ML	South Cleveland Radio Club	252	28	19	—	
VE3KC	Western Ontario Amateur Radio Ass'n.	210	70	210	—	
W1CDX/1	73 Radio Club	144	16	8.1	—	
W8BSR	The Buckeye Short Wave Radio Ass'n.	140	70	40 R, T		
W8LGR/8	Utica Amateur Radio Club	116	38+1	20 R, T		
W8HXT/8	Ludington Amateur Radio Association	114	57	40 R, T		
W8KGY	Sylvania Transmitting Amateurs Ass'n.	108	12	16	—	
W8SP	Abilene Amateur Radio Club	72	8	10	—	
W8GUL	Lakewood Radio Club	63	7	18	—	
W8DT	Mohawk Valley Brass Pounders (Fitch)	54	6	4	—	
W8KCS/8	Boys' Club of St. Mary's	45	5	12	—	
W3DVY	House of Prayer Radio Society	40	4	40 T		
W9IEP/9	Starved Rock Radio Club	40	10	30 T		
W8KYC	Marietta Amateur Radio Society	36	4	10	—	
W3DUU	The Western Radio Communication Society	27	3	18	—	
W8OW/8	Amateur Transmitters Association of Western Pennsylvania	27	3	17.5	—	
W1GVS	Portland Amateur Wireless Association	18	2	10	—	
OTHER LEADING SCORES						
W5AI/2	Sidney X. Shore	456	76	16/18 T		
W8EAH/8	W8DNZ-W8EQX-W8BZL-W8EAH-W8BSH-W8IPQ	450	50	13.6	—	
W4BNR/4	W4BOT-W4BNR	360	40	19	—	
W1HDQ/1	Edward P. Tilton	324	36	7	—	
W9GBP/2	R. D. Pickett	300	50	19 R		
W3DZK/3	Richardson S. Roberts	297	33	19.8	—	
W3QV/3	W3CTB-W3QV	252	28	18½	—	
W1BYK/1	Al Giddis	243	27	4.5	—	
W8PO/8	W8PO-W8CHO-W8BAH	189	21	6.4	—	
W4JBS/4	W4ZU-W4ZV-W4BJS	172	43	55 T		
W8DGT/4	144:W1BDL/1 (Ev. Hal & FH) 144:W1HZU/1 108:W6FFC 102:W1AWY/1 90:W1KH/1 81:W8LWD/8 81:W1FGC 72:W8CHM/8 72:W6AHJ/6 63:W9KGX/9 54:W9EBK/9 48:W1APK 45:W2DOG/2 45:W1CCM/1 36:W1FSE 36:W1ETE 27:W1GKY 27:W8BRB 27:W9FKU/9 18:W8IGQ 16:W6FYM 15:W9NSD/W9RLC 14:W1GVS 9:W5DKF (W5DYU) 9:W7ASG/W7DIW 9.					

<sup>1</sup> Plate input to final stage.

<sup>2</sup> Where receiver or transmitter are not indicated operation was entirely independent of public mains.

W9FYA/W9FKU would like Field Days to come every two months instead of annually. In their set-up, 20-foot poles were tied to fence posts, with the set in a couple of pup tents. W4BOT and W4BNR got the latter call on the air with a generator belted to their flivver, and a good time was had by all.

W6FYM went to the mountains, 80 miles distant, with the Modesto Amateur Radio Club. W8IGQ suggests that Field Days be held in winter, or under real emergency conditions. W9KWP would like to see an emergency rig kept on hand by every club . . . a good idea.

W4ADX was set up on Clinch Mountain in Tennessee, and got good signals from W4ABX on Roan Mountain on 56 mc. The East Tennessee Amateur Radio Association sent all local hams a fine announcement of their Field Day organization to get the gang together.

W1FSE worked four using a Pickard antenna set up on a survey marker in Amesbury, Mass. W1GEY worked some from a fire tower with a gale of wind blowing. W8LWD/8 kept the OWs and YLs sending up food. DHU and LWD got up at 3.30 a.m., but QRN was still going. W8GPT reports that W8GWY agreed to get two fish for every contact, and held up his end of the bargain!

"The S.T.A.A. (W8KGY/8) left Bradford, Pa., for the hunting camp of W8FKQ. There were several cars loaded with equipment. W8KFE, W8KOB, W8AXD, W8KDM, W8KYW, W8HKU, W8KCW, W8FVN, W8AXG, W8FEL, W8FKQ, W8JZZ and W8FDD were on hand. Looking forward to next year . . . a good time was had by all."

W8BRB of the Lakewood Radio Club furnished a most excellent and complete report. W8BON, W8GUL, W8ITR, W8FGJ and BRB had good success. Necessary to act quickly to save the set from destruction when a friendly (?) cow strolled through the antenna!

Appreciated by all will be the ditty offered by one participant as he balanced the QSOs against the "calls made": "No sadder word of tongue or pen—The QSOs that might have been."

"Had adequate battery power for a kw. W8KJL used 71A until filament went; W8HQJ used '01A with 8 watts on it; then used a '45 TNT to the end. Five autos, one trailer, 17 present." —W8ML, So. Cleveland Radio Club.

"High winds hampered operations. Rain soaked our equipment and put the transmitter out. Couldn't keep the tent up. QRN worst on record. The Utica Amateur Radio Club station was operated by W8LGR and W8CYG, with reliefs by W8HNZ, W8LUF, W8LVZ, W8LGZ, W8HNY. Six transmitters available, four used."

BTY at the end of a call caused us to lose more QSOs than all of the conditions and what not prevailing! Had a good time anyway.—W9EBK.

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# Automatic Vacuum-Tube Regulation Control for Bias- and Plate-Supply Power Packs

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IT GENERALLY has been unsuitable to use power-pack supply for grid bias of a Class-B stage, because of the poor regulation caused by the varying grid current flowing back through the bleeder resistor of the power supply. In order to obtain decent regulation, either a very low value of bleeder resistance must be used, or else the load on the power supply must be kept at a constant value. The former method is impractical because of the very low value of resistance which must be employed, which means that a very large amount of power will have to be dissipated by it. Therefore the second method described in this discussion; that is, maintenance of the load on the power supply at a constant value of practically zero.

As shown in Fig. 1, the stabilizer consists of a tube, across the output of the power supply, in a self-biasing arrangement. The resistor  $R_1$  is on the order of several megohms, so that at no load the tube is biased practically to cut-off. The output voltage is then the total voltage of the supply minus the voltage required to bias the regulator tube to zero plate current. When current flows back through the regulator tube, as would happen if the power supply were being used to bias the grid of a tube which was being driven positive and was drawing grid current, the voltage across the regulator tube will tend to increase. This will cause the voltage across the biasing resistance,  $R_1$ , to decrease. Since the sum of the regulator tube drop and the drop through  $R_1$  must equal the total supply voltage, as the voltage across  $R_1$  decreases the bias on the regulator tube decreases, which causes the tube plate impedance to decrease so that the voltage across it tends to remain constant regardless of the current which is flowing back through it. This may be shown by the equations given in the Appendix, which were worked out for 200 volts bias on the basis of the regulator consisting of two 45's in parallel.

This equation in graphical form is shown in

Fig. 2. On the same graph is shown also the curve obtained experimentally for the same conditions.

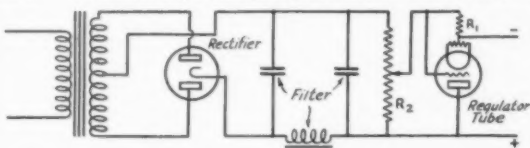


FIG. 1—CIRCUIT OF THE AUTOMATIC VACUUM-TUBE REGULATOR AS APPLIED TO A BIAS- OR PLATE-SUPPLY POWER PACK

$R_1$  is the regulator tube's bias resistor and  $R_2$  is the power-pack output voltage divider. A separate filament winding should be used for the regulator. Design data are given in the text.

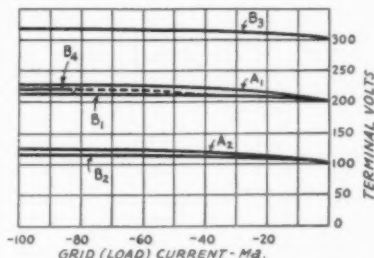


FIG. 2—REGULATION CURVES FOR A BIAS POWER PACK USING THE AUTOMATIC TRIODE REGULATOR. THE LOAD CURRENT IS NEGATIVE

Curves  $A_1$  and  $A_2$  are for a single 45 as the regulator.

Curves  $B_1$ ,  $B_2$  and  $B_3$  are for two 45's in parallel.

$B_4$  is a theoretical curve plotted from the equation.

It may be seen that at the higher values of current the experimental curve is slightly better than that obtained by calculation. Curves are also shown for 100 and 250 volts. It may be seen that for any given load current the deviation of the curves from the no-load value is constant, so that the regulation varies inversely as the plate voltage. At high voltages, then, it would be practical to employ only one tube as a regulator, while at the lower voltages two or more tubes in parallel

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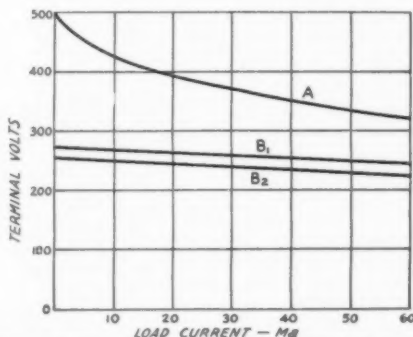


FIG. 3—TYPICAL REGULATION CURVES FOR A PLATE SUPPLY POWER PACK, THE LOAD BEING POSITIVE

Curve A was taken without the regulator. Curve  $B_1$  is for a single 45 as a regulator and Curve  $B_2$  is for two 45's in parallel.

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# Typical Technical Questions Answered

## Regenerative Receiver Coils—Parallel vs. Series Plate Feed—160-Meter Tri-Tet Coils—Condenser Tuning Ranges

MANY letters received by the Technical Information Service indicate that there are many who are not familiar with the simple rules governing the winding of plug-in coils for regenerative receivers. To avoid any possible confusion, all coils, primary, grid coil (secondary) and tickler, should be wound in the same direction. The tickler coil should be placed at the "ground" end of the secondary, opposite the grid end of this winding; and if there is a primary coil, it should be wound on the form below the tickler winding. With the windings made in the same direction and with the tickler at the low potential ("ground") end of the grid winding, the top end of the grid coil should be connected to grid, the lower end of the grid coil to the filament or cathode circuit and ground, the inner end of the tickler winding to the plus-B circuit and the outer end of the tickler winding to plate. Then the inner end of the primary winding connects to ground or plus-B, while the outer end goes to the antenna or the plate of a preceding amplifier. If this procedure is followed, the tickler and grid windings always will be poled correctly for regeneration. Then if the detector should refuse to oscillate, one can look for the trouble elsewhere.

Other factors affecting regeneration are: number of tickler turns; spacing between tickler and grid windings; plate and screen voltages of the detector tube; capacity of a "throttle" or regeneration control condenser, if one is used or the capacity of an r.f. by-pass condenser in the plate circuit; size of grid leak and condenser, and degree of coupling to the antenna or a preceding amplifier.

In general, the tickler winding should be kept as small as possible consistent with smooth control and proper screen voltage. With most types of screen-grid tubes, the point of maximum regeneration or the point of "spill-over" should be adjusted to occur at a screen voltage of about 30 volts for best sensitivity. If regeneration is controlled by a variable capacity, the screen voltage should be set permanently at about 30 volts and the tickler adjusted so that the point of maximum regeneration occurs near the maximum capacity of the condenser. The tuning effect of the regeneration control will be at a minimum with this adjustment.

The value of a plate circuit fixed by-pass condenser will not be critical, a value of 100 to 200  $\mu\text{fd.}$  being about right. Larger capacities will result in a decrease in signal strength.

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Several fellows, noticing the rather sudden increase in the use of parallel plate supply feed in recent QST-built transmitters, ask for the reason and how the efficiency of this method of plate feed compares with that of the series feed method. Practically, the entire question of efficiency centers on the r.f. choke coil used with parallel feed. Until recently this was the vulnerable point of the parallel system. Considerable difficulty was encountered in obtaining a good r.f. choke, especially one providing a high impedance over a wide range of frequencies. Within the past year or so, however, r.f. chokes of the machine-wound type with excellent characteristics over a wide range of high frequencies have become available. These chokes make it easily possible to provide a circuit with parallel feed practically as efficient as one using series feed where the responsibility of the r.f. choke is relatively insignificant.

The advantages of parallel feed are chiefly those of convenience. It obviates the nuisance of tapping the coil of a push-pull or split-stator neutralizing tank, and if the blocking condenser is used it also removes the hazard of high d.c. voltage on the tank coil and condenser.

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If you wish to operate the RK-20 Tri-tet oscillator, described in QST for June, in the 1800- to 2000-ke. band, the coils  $L_1$ , Fig. 3 page 16, may consist of 25 turns of No. 16 d.c.c. wire two inches in diameter. With a capacity  $C_1$  of 35  $\mu\text{fd.}$ ,  $L_2$  will require 68 turns No. 16 d.c.c. wire  $3\frac{1}{2}$  inches in diameter, and proportionately fewer turns with larger capacity.

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It is frequently useful to remember that the ratio of maximum to minimum frequencies covered by a given coil and shunt condenser is proportional to the square root of the ratio of minimum to maximum capacities of the condenser. The minimum capacity value should include, of course, the minimum capacity of the circuit. This rule makes it possible to approximate the frequency range over which any coil and condenser may tune.

For instance: We have a 150- $\mu\text{fd.}$  tuning condenser and wish to estimate the frequency range which will be covered. In receivers, the minimum circuit capacity may run about 30  $\mu\text{fd.}$ , 15 of which may be assigned to the condenser, the remainder being introduced by tube, socket, wiring, coil etc. The maximum capacity

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# Amateur Radio STATIONS



## W2DC, Scotia, New York

ALTHOUGH amateur radio possesses attractions for people of all ages, most of us get into the habit of thinking it a young man's game. Consequently it seems a bit unusual (but it may not actually be so at all) to find an amateur whose first experience with ham radio came from operating his father's station. That is the case of E. H. Fritschel, owner of W2DC. 9AJ was the call—a well-known one in pre-war days. After the

stage has two 211's. All stages are completely shielded. Power supplies for the r.f. stages, including a bias supply, are built in the same rack.

The modulating equipment is contained in the right-hand rack. The speech line-up includes a first audio stage using an 864, a second stage with two 864's, and a 56 third audio. The output of the third stage excites a 59 Class-A amplifier used as a driver for a following Class-B audio stage with two 59's. These in turn drive a pair of 203-A's in Class B. A low-voltage power supply for the 864's and the receiver is contained in this rack, also a 400-volt supply for the intermediate speech amplifiers and a 1000-volt supply for the 203-A modulators.

A broadcast-type condenser microphone and a National FBXA receiver are on the operating table. A control panel with push-button switches is at the rear right. Note also the handy rack for unused receiver coils built into the lower part of the table at the left. A frequency-meter-monitor is also available, although it does not appear in the photograph.

The chief purpose of the station is to maintain contact with Fritschel's father, who now signs W8ISZ, and his brother, W8AFS. Operation is chiefly on 3.5- and 14-mc. 'phone; European and South American stations being worked regularly on the latter band. Schedules are also kept occasionally on c.w. All continents have been worked on both 7- and 14-mc. c.w. W2DC holds appointments as ORS and OPS.



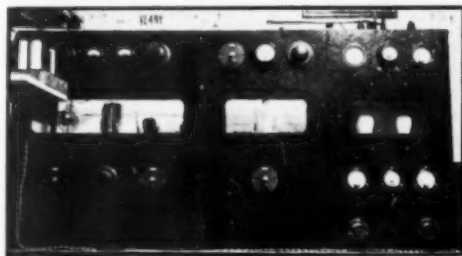
W2DC

reopening a family station went on the air signing 9FK. The year 1926 found Fritschel in Schenectady, where the call 2DC was obtained. It has been held ever since.

The layout at W2DC has a distinctly professional appearance, although some of the parts incorporated in the transmitter date back to the spark-coil days. The rack at the left of the table is a complete c.w. transmitter for 3.5, 7 and 14 megacycles. The crystal oscillator, which uses a Type 10 tube, is arranged so that any one of four crystals can be selected by a switch. An 865 buffer follows the oscillator, and drives another 10 used as either amplifier or doubler. A second 10 doubler is used on 14 mc. only. The intermediate power amplifier uses two Type 10 tubes, and the final

## W4MS, Pensacola, Fla.

THE accompanying photographs show the transmitter and operating table at W4MS, the station of S.C.M. Edward J. Collins of the



TRANSMITTER AT W4MS



RECEIVING POSITION AT W4MS

A.R.R.L. Western Florida Section. Another member of the pre-war gang, Collins' first transmitter was a quarter-inch spark coil, put on the air in 1915 and operated under the self-assigned call "PB." W4MS was licensed in 1920, grew to a 1-kw. spark, thence to a.c.e.w. with the renowned "sure-fire" circuit, and finally to a 7-mc. t.p.t.g. rig with a 204-A. This set is still doing the business, bringing in T9 reports regularly along with the DX. One reason for the good signal is the fact that the tube is operated considerably below its rating—WAC has been made three times with inputs of less than 30 watts!

Besides the favorite 40-meter set, W4MS also has a pair of 10's in push-pull on 14 mc. and an 852 on 3.5 mc. Some consideration is being given to rebuilding all the transmitters for crystal control, and it is expected that a 28-mc. rig will be put together in the near future.

Quite an array of receivers decorates the operating table. Among them can be recognized a National FB7A and SW3 and an REL 231. A Pilot Wasp also is ready to be pressed into service in case of emergency. The antenna in use for all work is a half-wave 7-mc. Zepp suspended between a 65-foot lattice mast and a Florida pine.

W4MS is a member of the Gulf Coast Storm Net and boasts two second operators, Mrs. W4MS (who is also ex-W4AXF) and Hugh Anderson, W4COG. Traffic, ragchewers and beginners are just as welcome as DX.

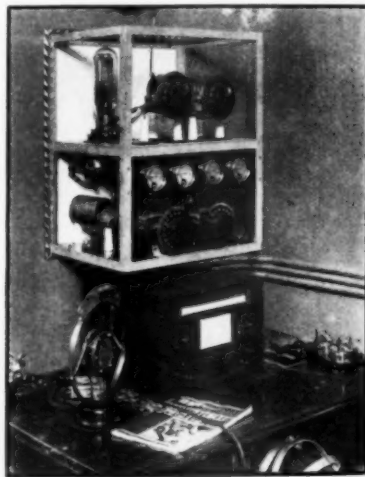
### ON4BZ, Brussels, Belgium

IF YOU tune across the 14-mc. band during an International DX Contest, it's an almost certain chance that you'll hear ON4BZ, or else four or five American hams calling him. Not that one has to wait for a contest to find him on the air—far from it. In plain words, ON4BZ is one of the really outstanding European DX stations—the sort of station that seemingly everyone has heard or worked.

The layout on ON4BZ, which is owned by Guy Janssen, 295 Avenue de Tervueren, Brussels, is exceedingly neat and compact. A glance at the photograph reveals that there is nothing unfamil-

iar or "foreign-looking" about it—for the good reason that the tubes and equipment are largely of American manufacture. The transmitter, which is built in a metal frame mounted on the wall above the operating table, uses a 47 as a 7-mc. crystal oscillator, a doubler with two 46's having grids in push-pull and plates in parallel, and a 503-A final amplifier. The amplifier is usually operated with an input of 180 watts. A vertical half-wave 14-mc. Hertz antenna with single-wire feed helps to account for the DX worked. For 'phone work a Class-B modulator capable of delivering 90 watts of audio is used. This unit does not appear in the photograph, however. Single-signal reception is provided by a National FBXA.

ON4BZ first went on the air in 1923 with a Hartley transmitter using a tube similar to our Type 10; with this rig all continents were worked. Several outfits of various powers were used between the original Hartley and the set shown in



ON4BZ

the photograph. The effectiveness of the present transmitter is proved by the fact that ON4BZ has made a 'phone WAC in one day (April 21, 1934) and has worked K6COG on 'phone with a QSA5 R7 report. In the time that ON4BZ has been on the air some 125 countries have been worked. Most of the operation is on 14 mc., but it is expected that a 28-mc. rig will be installed soon.

### Strays

Fellows who like the "Navy" type key knob can get the extra flange without much trouble. Simply take a poker chip, drill a hole in the center and fasten it in between the key arm and the regular knob.

—W6KBY



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# EXPERIMENTER



## Driver for Class-B 203-A's

Although the design of a speech amplifier suitable for driving successfully a pair of 203-A's as Class-B modulators would seem simple using Type 50 tubes, the complexities of the job multiply with the use of the newer and far superior (when used properly) 2A3 tubes. At W9JHY a satisfactory solution was achieved as outlined below.

In laying out the tube lineup a 57 was decided upon as the input stage tube, since it has high gain and good audio properties. This is fed into a 56 by means of any good screen-grid coupling transformer. I used an Amertran No. 641 choke with a 0.1- $\mu$ fd. coupling condenser. In the grid circuit of the 57, as the main volume control, I used a 100,000-ohm potentiometer, and isolated the grid circuit with resistances, as shown in July, 1932, QST.

The output of the 57 is entirely too much for the grid of a 56 tube. However, no very satisfactory way of feeding the output of a single-ended stage using a 57 to push-pull grids is available, since ordinary transformers don't "perk," and coupling transformers of that type are costly. So I used another potentiometer in the grid circuit of the 56 to control the amount of excitation to the point just below distortion.

The third stage is a pair of 56's coupled to the first 56 by a low-gain transformer (Thordarson No. 2408). The output inter-stage push-pull transformer is a type 5870 Thordarson job of low ratio, capable of transferring the power necessary to drive the grids of the 2A3's. This is more of an essential than most of the boys think, for the 2A3 tubes are operated Class AB and the grids swing positive, much as in a Class-B rig, but the plate current doesn't change as much.

The 2A3 tubes may be operated with automatic bias, but there just isn't any way to keep the bias from fluctuating with the plate current. For this reason, I decided upon battery bias, by-passing the battery with a 24- $\mu$ fd. electrolytic condenser.

I have tried just about every kind of Class-B input transformer made, but was unable to find

one with a low enough plate-to-plate impedance for the 2A3 tubes. Hence, I asked Thordarson to make up one with a 3000-ohm primary impedance, and with two separate windings on the secondary, instead of the usual single, center-tapped grid

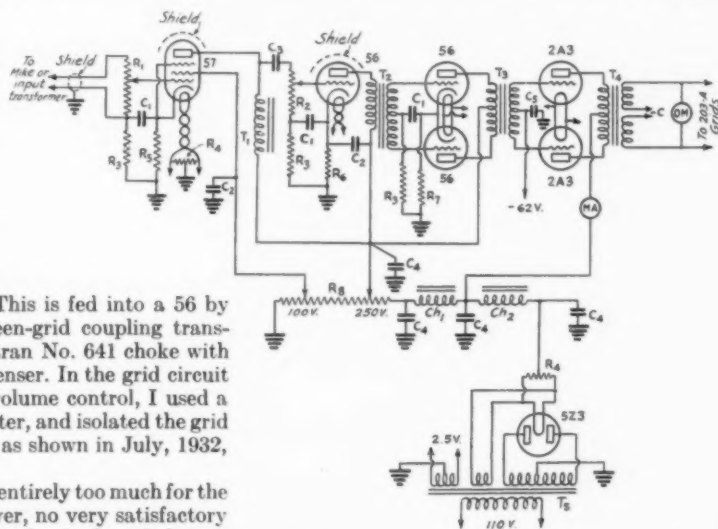


FIG. 1—SPEECH AMPLIFIER AND DRIVER FOR CLASS-B 203-A'S

- T<sub>1</sub>—300- to 500-henry audio choke.
- T<sub>2</sub>—Push-pull input transformer.
- T<sub>3</sub>—Push-pull interstage transformer (see text).
- T<sub>4</sub>—Class-B input transformer, 3000-ohm primary, push-pull 2A3's to 203-A grids.
- T<sub>5</sub>—Plate-filament transformer, approx. 350 volts each side center tap; 5-volt and 2.5-volt filament windings (Thordarson T-5822).
- R<sub>1</sub>—100,000-ohm potentiometer.
- R<sub>2</sub>—50,000-ohm potentiometer.
- R<sub>3</sub>—50,000 ohms, 1 watt.
- R<sub>4</sub>—40-ohm center-tapped resistor.
- R<sub>5</sub>—1500 ohms, 2 watt.
- R<sub>6</sub>—2000 ohms, 2 watt.
- R<sub>7</sub>—1000 ohms, 2 watt.
- R<sub>8</sub>—20,000-ohm voltage divider, 20 watts.
- C<sub>1</sub>—4  $\mu$ fd.
- C<sub>2</sub>—2  $\mu$ fd.
- C<sub>3</sub>—0.1  $\mu$ fd., 500-volt rating.
- C<sub>4</sub>—8- $\mu$ fd. electrolytic.
- C<sub>5</sub>—24- $\mu$ fd. electrolytic.
- Ch<sub>1</sub>—30-henry, 85-ma. choke.
- Ch<sub>2</sub>—30-henry, 200-ma. choke.
- MA—0-200 d.c. milliammeter.
- OM—Output meter, 0-200 rectifier-type a.c. voltmeter 1000 ohms per volt.

winding.<sup>1</sup> Average 203-A's just don't have similar characteristics, but with separate transformer secondaries the bias on each tube can be adjusted

<sup>1</sup> Type number T6140.

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the wide frequency range mentioned above, Mr. Couppez uses a tuning condenser ( $C_2$ ) consisting of a four-gang 500- $\mu$ fd. condenser, all sections being connected in parallel for the lowest frequency range and either three, two or one section being used for the higher-frequency ranges up to 1500 kc. Above 1500 kc. padding condensers built into the coil forms are placed in series with one tuning condenser section to cut the effective maximum capacity to 150, 100 or 50  $\mu$ fd. so that the spread will not be too great. The changes in condenser capacity are automatically made by appropriate coil-form pin connections.

The antenna coupling coil,  $L_1$ , is made exactly the same as  $L_2$ , the antenna tuning condenser,  $C_1$ , always being connected in series. Tuning the antenna circuit increases both sensitivity and selectivity. Regeneration is controlled by variable condenser  $C_5$ , having a maximum capacity of 500- $\mu$ fd.; a 500- $\mu$ fd. fixed condenser is connected in series with it to give smoother control on the short wavelengths. Coupling to the following audio stage is apparently through an ordinary audio transformer.

The tuning procedure used with this type of circuit differs in some respects from that commonly employed for regenerative reception. The detector part of the circuit should not be allowed to oscillate; the beat note for c.w. reception is obtained by proper setting of the heterodyne oscillator tuning condenser,  $C_6$ . The signal should first be tuned in by its carrier only, with the regeneration control well "down." Adjust  $C_1$  to resonance and vary the coupling between  $L_1$  and  $L_2$ , simultaneously readjusting  $C_1$  and the detector tuning condenser,  $C_2$ , until the signal is strongest. The heterodyne condenser,  $C_6$ , should then be adjusted to give a satisfactory beat note, after which the detector regeneration may be increased, by adjusting  $C_5$ , until the signal is brought up to maximum volume. The loosest possible coupling between  $L_1$  and  $L_2$  usually will give the most satisfactory results.

The advantages of the separate beat oscillator have several times been emphasized in *QST*. Such an arrangement is particularly advantageous in an all-wave receiver such as the one used by Mr. Couppez, because the loss of signal strength caused by detuning an autodyne detector to obtain a beat note is considerable at the lower frequencies. A similar, although not as pronounced, difference in strength between autodyne and heterodyne reception exists even at very high frequencies, as the experimenter can easily prove to his own satisfaction.

### 874 For Stabilized Bias Supplies

Recent *QST* dope on "B" eliminators as bias supplies for transmitters has inspired several of the gang to send in information on using the 874 voltage regulator tube to keep the bias at a fixed value when voltage variations because of grid current flow become bothersome. For the benefit of those who may not be familiar with the tube, the 874 is a gas tube designed to maintain a constant voltage across its terminals under varying load currents, when used in connection with a power supply of inherently poor regulation—such as the conventional "B" eliminator. At a working voltage of 90, the tube will operate over a current range of 10 to 50 milliamperes.

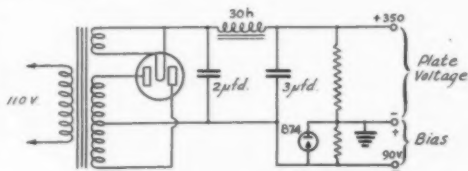


FIG. 3—PLATE AND BIAS SUPPLY USING AN 874 TUBE TO MAINTAIN CONSTANT BIAS

Fig. 3 is the diagram of a combination low-voltage plate supply and bias supply used by E. H. McRonald, W3EQS. A note from him says, "At present I am using a 'B' eliminator as a bias supply, and since the bleeder is of the order of 10,000 ohms, the regulation is fierce. After trying it I was almost ready to build one of the heavy-duty 'C' supplies when I thought of the old 874 voltage regulator tube. As this tube holds at 90 volts, it makes an excellent device for controlling the bias voltage of a 203-A or similar tube. A 5000-ohm automatic bias resistor is used in the grid return circuit and the 90 volts from the 'B'

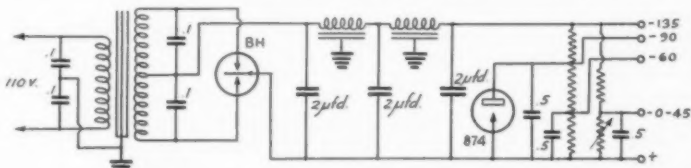


FIG. 4—ANOTHER BIAS SUPPLY CIRCUIT USING A BH GASEOUS RECTIFIER AND AN 874 VOLTAGE REGULATOR

eliminator is used for fixed bias. The eliminator also supplies plate-voltage for the buffer stages and does the job FB.

"If a higher fixed bias is desired use two or more 874's in series. The regulation of this rig is darned near perfect."

V. L. Clark, W5ZW, furnished the diagram of Fig. 4. His "C" supply, which uses a Raytheon BH rectifier and the 874, has been giving satisfactory service for more than two years. The bleeder current is approximately 20 milliamperes,

the 874 being tapped in on the voltage divider at a point where it will draw 10 to 15 ma. Other taps for different bias voltages are also provided. The buffer condensers across the transformer windings are needed to prevent QRM to the BCL receiver resulting from the use of the gaseous-conduction rectifier.

W5ZW's bias supply takes care of the entire r.f. end of his transmitter—47 oscillator, 47 buffer and p.p. 10 amplifier—and also provides bias for two 250's in the modulator.

## International Contest Results

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Radio Club; W9FO (Art), Chicago Radio Traffic Association; W9CSB, The Illinois Ham Club, Wilmette; W9KA, The Illinois Bell Telephone Radio Club, Chicago; W9GUN, Heart of America Radio Club, Kansas City, Mo.; VE2AX, Montreal Amateur Radio Club.

F8PZ was disqualified for persistent off-frequency operation, reported by another contestant and substantiated by A.R.R.L. Official Observer reports. It is regretted that his score of 12,376 cannot be counted. Although W6FYT made a score in the vicinity of 23,000, no log was received from that station. W3ZD, although not competing, had a score of 11,100.

## NOTES OF INTEREST

J2GX worked 249 different stations! ZS2A had 244 QSO's! These two chaps made more than one amateur happy by adding Asia or Africa for WAC awards! EA5BE, prominent Spanish participant, made 532 QSO's. A tidy number! Coincidence at G2ZQ: Betting the numbers 44444 twice and 222222 once. On each of the nine days of the tests

G6QB used a different type antenna. G6LK's power supply consists of dry batteries; at the end of the contest there was more resistance than voltage! G6WY made six contacts in succession without touching the receiver—the W/VE hams were piled that thick!! ZT5R, being an Emergency Station, did not have much time for the tests; he was busy with traffic. D4BAR made 291 QSO's. D4BIU wonders why the Yankees use such a narrow portion of the 7-mc. band; he found about 90 to 95% of the W's worked between 7000 and 7100 kcs. W6EMK was visiting HB9J and did some of the contest operating there. W6's are rarely heard in Switzerland, but W6FYT and W6JJU were heard at HB9J several times. X1AA (who didn't hear that call?) made 553 QSO's. X1AM worked 291 stations. X1BC worked 160. NY1AB's snappy work will long be remembered by all who heard him in the tests—and who didn't hear NY1AB? K4SA worked 309 stations, using 'phone on 14 mc. as well as c.w. on 7 and 14 mc. K4KD, with no more than 30 watts input, worked 169 stations (51 on 7 mc., 118 on 14 mc.). CM2JM made 251 QSO's, CM1ML 201 (with 20 watts input!). F3MTA, only station on the air in Martinique, rolled up 284 contacts. ZL2CI and ZL4AI had a fast race for New Zealand honors; ZL2CI worked 344 stations, ZL4AI 326, but ZL4AI came out with a bigger score, thanks to contact with an additional district. ZL4AO and ZL4AI are located about 300 yards apart and were both on at the same time throughout the tests! The "longest" contest report came from HC1LC: it consisted of several sheets of paper pasted together, measuring about 82 inches long!! HC1LC worked 457 stations. What ham doesn't envy K6JPT his

X1BC (13) .. 6136	Newfoundland—Vo	ZL4AO (14) .. 11480	K6BFI (12) .. 8220	VK3RJ (8) .. 664	PK1VH (3) .. 84
X1CM (13) .. 5031	VOSY (7) .. 2604	ZL2GQ (13) .. 8229	K6COG (13) .. 6591	VK2AV (9) .. 630	PK1CX (2) .. 48
X1N (11) .. 4620	VO8AW (8) .. 928	ZL2GN (13) .. 7293	K6AKP (11) .. 4037	VK2ZH (8) .. 624	
X1H (11) .. 4180		ZL3AR (11) .. 5544	K6CQZ (10) .. 3690	VK5SU* (9) .. 621	SOUTH AMERICA
X1CC (10) .. 2040	Costa Rica—TI	ZL3CC (11) .. 5181	K6ESU (11) .. 3223	VK3OC (8) .. 584	Ecuador—HC
X2C (7) .. 742	TI2KF (10) .. 2270	ZL2KI (12) .. 4884	K6HLP (10) .. 3190	VK3BW (9) .. 576	HC1LC (14) .. 19152
X1BA (6) .. 594	TI2EA (7) .. 462	ZL1AR (12) .. 4104	K6JPD (10) .. 1710	VK2FM (9) .. 513	HC2HP (7) .. 651
X2R (6) .. 492		ZL1GX (11) .. 3817	K6AJA (10) .. 1530	VK3HL (6) .. 486	
X2X (8) .. 360	Brit. Honduras—VP4	ZL3AN (9) .. 2979	K6CGK (5) .. 730	VK5HG (7) .. 399	Trinidad—VP4
X1BG (7) .. 238	VP4AA (9) .. 1836	ZL1CA (12) .. 2160	K6CRU (6) .. 414	VK3MX (8) .. 384	VP4TC (11) .. 6391
X2B (4) .. 116		ZL2BN (10) .. 1670	K6JPT (6) .. 312	VK3JQ (6) .. 360	VP4TB (10) .. 1460
	Haiti—HH	ZLAFK (10) .. 1650		VK2HE (7) .. 357	VP4TA* (7) .. 413
	HH1A (9) .. 1629	ZL2OW (10) .. 1620	Australia—VK	VK2OJ (6) .. 276	
Porto Rico—K4		ZL2FI* (10) .. 1400	VK3MR (13) .. 9412	VK2VC (6) .. 252	Peru—OA
K4SA (12) .. 11124		ZL2GG (10) .. 1080	VK3WL (12) .. 8124	VK2BP (6) .. 234	OA4J (10) .. 4940
K4KD (10) .. 5070	Jamaica—VP5	ZL2GT (13) .. 780	VK3KX (11) .. 7612	VK3RX (6) .. 228	OA4U (8) .. 1496
K4AOP (10) .. 3528	VP5CC (8) .. 1032	ZL1BT (8) .. 736	VK4GK (12) .. 6312	VK3CX (6) .. 180	
	VP5MK (9) .. 540	ZL1HY (7) .. 630	VK3ES (12) .. 5016	VK2TH (5) .. 125	Argentina—LU
Cuba—CM		ZL3HK (8) .. 624	VK5PK (10) .. 3690	VK2ZK (4) .. 84	LU1EP (11) .. 4895
CM2JM (14) .. 10403	Alaska—K7	ZL1AK* (8) .. 504	VK2OF (11) .. 3663	VK4EI (3) .. 72	LU3FA (10) .. 2540
CM2OP (10) .. 12960	K7CHP (4) .. 984	ZL1HD* (8) .. 480	VK7NC (11) .. 3454	VK2FO (9) .. 2322	LU2FC (9) .. 2322
CM1ML (10) .. 6030	K7ANM* (2) .. 10	ZL2PC (5) .. 305	VK5MY (10) .. 2460	VK3EM* (1) .. 3	LU9BV (10) .. 2140
CM2FA (10) .. 5720		ZL2MR (7) .. 259	VK2XC (10) .. 2370	VK3HM* (1) .. 3	LU7AZ (5) .. 335
CM2MG (11) .. 3740	Bermuda—VP9	ZL3FK (6) .. 198	VK3GQ (11) .. 2365	VK3HQ* (1) .. 3	LU1CH (4) .. 208
CM2MA (11) .. 3432	VP9R (8) .. 792	ZL1CC (5) .. 105	VK3ML (9) .. 2277		LU9AF (2) .. 48
CM2AN (10) .. 1710		ZL2HR (3) .. 84	VK2PX (10) .. 2250	Philippine Island—	
CM2WW (7) .. 539	Bahamas—VP7	ZL1BA (3) .. 72	VK7JB (11) .. 2112	KA	Brazil—PY
CM2NA (7) .. 441	VP7NB (7) .. 455	ZL4FW* (5) .. 70	VK4U (11) .. 1947	KAINA (9) .. 4644	PY2BN (12) .. 4630
Martinique—F		ZL1FT (3) .. 63	VK4BB (10) .. 1900	KAICS (2) .. 228	PY1AW (10) .. 1530
F3MTA (12) .. 10140	Virgin Islands—K4	ZL3FY (1) .. 12	VK7RC (11) .. 1672	KAIRC (3) .. 117	PY2BX (10) .. 1400
	K4AAN (5) .. 200	ZL2CW* (2) .. 12	VK2DR (9) .. 1485		Chile—CE
			VK2FZ (9) .. 1404	Guam—OM	CE7AA (7) .. 1932
Panama—HP	OCEANIA	Hawaii—K6	VK2OC (9) .. 1098	OM2AA (7) .. 85208	Uruguay—CX
HP1A (11) .. 7667		New Zealand—ZL	VK2JT (8) .. 768		CX2AM (10) .. 1360
Barbados—VP6		ZL4AI (14) .. 13650	VK2YL (9) .. 729	Java—PK1	CX2AF (2) .. 12
VP6MR (9) .. 4491		ZL2CI (13) .. 13273	VK3KR (8) .. 720	PK1HG (2) .. 166	



110-foot poles?! PAASD spent what little time he had available on 3.5 mc., working W2ETH and WIBKL. KA1NA worked 180 stations, but only two of these used "break-in." Break-in should be more generally used, since it makes more contacts possible in the same number of operating hours. VK7RC is one of those hams who always strikes bad luck at contest time; the first three contest nights he had bad power QRM, and on the fourth night his territory was visited by the worst electrical storm in years; these things didn't help his score a bit! A common question: "What end of the band do you hear foreigners on?" Bill Conklin of W9FM/W9ZA made up two charts, one for the 7-mc. band, one for 14 mc., using the dial settings on his receiver to show where each foreign station heard came in. On 7 mc. in the a.m. hours, foreign stations were distributed over almost the entire band with the exception of the 7000-ke. end, where a fairly vacant space showed up. In the p.m. hours the majority of the foreign stations were logged between 7000 and 7200 kes., with a few scattering signals upwards to 7300 ke. On 14 mc. the a.m. hours found foreigners all over the band with very few "holes," while in the p.m. the entire band was covered, but there were more "open spaces." Eric Trebilcock, inveterate listener of Moonta, South Australia, logged 47 countries during the tests, bringing his total of "countries heard" to 97! A very complete log of stations heard was received from Germany Receiving Station DE1374D. WSAYD claims the prize for being the "most persistent ham"—he called 54 different stations, but didn't work a single one during the contest. The old evil of a.c. notes, while less than in previous years, was still present . . . do the offenders remove the filter, or in cramming up coupling and raising plate voltage do they *blow* the filter? A more potent factor in producing a real score is a real receiver, not brute power, or a broad note. VP2RT and VP2BX helped a few scorers to add Antigua to their lists. ON4CSL in the Belgian Congo also furnished "another country" in several cases. DX CQ's by W and VE participants were found generally less productive than answering CQ's and "test" calls from foreign stations. Long CQ's wasted everybody's time and lost points for many. It has been suggested by several that W and VE stations be prohibited from calling CQ in future International Competitions. How does the gang as a whole feel about that? The comment found in oodles of logs: "I never heard so much DX in my life." J31W was only Asian heard at W1FH. W1CMX heard 58 countries, worked 37 of them; he worked J2GX at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time on 14 mc. W1WV's average on calls per QSO was 5: 200 calls and 40 QSOs. Best DX heard at W1DUJ on 14 mc.: KA3AB. W1BUX made WAC in thirteen hours. The original holder of the call 1MK was in the tests under the call W1HQK. The greatest thrill for W1QV was an

R10 report from OK1AW. VK3MR came rolling in on the speaker on 7 mc. at W1DCI, on March 18th, from 3 to 4:30 p.m. On the same date W1CNU worked VK5SU and heard another VK between 5 and 6 p.m. E.S.T. W1DMD, Concord, N. H., was QRM'ed by static reducers at the Rumford Press (printers of *QST*!), but he managed to hear 181 stations in 41 countries, all six continents. Although 30 countries were logged at W1DGC, there were no South Americans among them. Best foreign operators heard at W1CMX: NY1AB, ZS2A, EA5BE and *nearly all VK and ZL operators*—a bouquet for our friends from "down under"!! W2BSR took his vacation during the contest in order to avail himself of the utmost fun—he rebuilt before the contest, but had to tear the rig all apart and rebuild again after the contest started—moral: leave well enough alone! W2ALB's 33 contacts were all by answering CQ's. W2FU suggests a "Boobie Prize" for the U. S. hams who CQ'd by the hour. The greatest lesson W2DJM got from the tests was that it pays to use all bands. W2DC's only phone QSO was with ON4AU. W2BYP, W2BHZ, W3ZJ and W4AJX worked all continents. 154 foreign stations were heard at W2DZA, 219 calls made, 49 QSO's. W2CLM and W1DGC worked VK the long way around. W2GWE was operating portable at Princeton University, surrounded by BCL's numbering in the hundreds—imagine his grief! W2ALB's examples of good operators: ZS2A, EA5BE, EA1BC. To his mother W3AOJ gives 90% of the credit for his score: she was his "alarm clock," waking him in the wee sma' hours so he wouldn't lose out on the elusive DX. W3BAI recalls: EA5BE's beautiful sending, FMSIH ditto. . . . The eternal "book on key" artist, "key sitters" we call 'em. . . . VK3MR coming in at 5:30 p.m. E.S.T. . . . Calling OM2AA—as futile as trying to thread a needle with a three inch hawser. . . . Plate transformer couldn't take it! . . . Orchids to W3DRK for staying off 7 mc. to avoid QRM to W3BAI. . . . Real ham spirit! . . . W3DON loans his transformer to replace the burnt-out one. . . . 50 W/VE stations calling F3MTA on the 17th. . . . Over 40 prefixes heard and 140 stations! "Little score, big fun," says W3AWS. Bedlam: the self-excited boys slashing up and down the bands looking for the mythical hole in the QRM. W3BRU made his first ZL QSO after ten years of hamming. The contest nights reminded W3APJ of a drive over the Everglades, with "millions of frogs, big ones with bass voices, little ones with shrill peeps, all exercising their vocal chords." W3APJ worked 28 countries out of 41 heard. W4CBY's last six QSO's in the contest were each with a different continent! A disconcerting overture: W4AJX' 66-foot mast smashing to the ground three days before the tests! W4AIO and W4ABV divided time and made a local competi-

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### Calendar:

The business of the I.A.R.U. is conducted by three mediums. First, there is individual correspondence between the headquarters and the member-societies. Second, there are general letters sent by the headquarters to the officers of member-societies. Finally, there is the semi-annual official Calendar, in which the affairs of the Union are reviewed, and official acts proposed and acted upon.

Calendar No. 12 of the Union was issued June 30th. The principal subject under consideration was the representation of the I.A.R.U. at the coming C.C.I.R. Conference to be held in Lisbon from Sept. 22d to Oct. 10th. It will be the first such conference to which the Union will be admitted on its own authority; as has been previously pointed out, this constitutes a considerable forward step in the international recognition of amateur radio.

Unauthorized interference in amateur bands and an international solution to the problem proposed by the R.E.F. was the second major subject considered in this Calendar. The result of voting on a previous proposal for the admission to membership in the Union of the *Liga Colombiana de Radio Aficionados* (L.C.R.A.) of Colombia was reported as unanimously in favor. A cordial welcome to the roster of I.A.R.U. member-societies is extended to the L.C.R.A. on behalf of the rest of the Union membership.

The Japanese Amateur Radio League (J.A.R.L.) was proposed as the Union member for Japan, by the Headquarters. The R.S.G.B. proposed a change in the voting requirements, under the constitution; it also made a suggestion with regard to the establishing of qualifications for the issuance of WAC certificates. The question of

geographic determination of continental land areas in this connection was discussed by the headquarters. General discussion by several member-societies on questions relating to the handling of QSL matters was presented.

Results of voting and the compilation of expressions of opinion on the part of member-societies resulting from this Calendar will appear in the December Calendar, and shortly thereafter in this department of *QST*.

### WAC:

The world is WACing at a terrific rate these days. So far in 1934, 180 certificates have been issued — as many as in any previous year heretofore. The last hundred of those have been issued in less than two months. I.A.R.U. Hq is swirling with a whirlwind of new WAC certificates. The grand total of WAC Club members on July 20th was 1204. New applications arrive with every mail.

There are three new 'phone WAC's. Charles G. Myers, W3CCF, is the first American to accomplish the feat. His certificate was issued May 15th. On June 12th one was issued to I. E. Hill, who worked all continents on 'phone from SU6HL in Heliopolis, Egypt. He'd already done the same thing on c.w. from SU6HL and ST2D. Only 2nd a 'phone WAC certificate was issued to W. P. Ingersoll, W9BHT.

These bring the total number of 'phone WAC's to 11. First, there was ON4UU, March 11, 1930; then VKSHL, April 28, 1930; G5BY, June 13, 1930; G15NJ, Oct. 11, 1930; OK2VA, Nov. 29, 1932; G6XQ, Sept. 6, 1933; ON4AU, Oct. 31, 1933; and J5CC, Dec. 15, 1933.

Why this recent boom in WAC's? Why the

issuance of more certificates in six months than in any previous year? Well, the last international DX competition had quite a bit to do with it; many Americans worked stations they'd never worked before. Did we mention, by the way, that it's principally among the American membership that this boom is occurring? Time was when considerably the greatest number of certificates issued went overseas; now, U. S. hams are greatly in the majority.

But, in final analysis, most of the credit goes to one man — J2GX. The point is reached where we no longer expect to receive an application without his card among the lot; it actually appears at least eight times out of ten. And if he's not an Oriental Santa Claus to the boys in Eastern U. S., then the New England humidity has finally submerged the last faint glimmer of reason left in this department. And that's not impossible, either.

#### General:

Congratulations to the A.R.R.L. on its 20th anniversary on behalf of the Executive Committee of the C.A.V. were transmitted via an OK1BC-W3BUX-W1BDI route . . . . . Peruvian amateur regulations are similar to those in the U. S., writes Wray A. Gillette, OA4AA . . . . . The fundamental difference is that a license fee of thirty Soles or \$7.50 U. S. is required! . . . . . The W.I.A. is planning a gigantic DX contest for the four week-ends of October, in connection with the Centenary celebration of the city of Melbourne . . . . . Full details on the contest rules next month; watch for them

equipment confiscated and license cancelled, but has succeeded in regaining the license and frequency privileges of 7500 and 15,000 kc., 'phone and c.w. . . . . International amateur radio offers congratulations to one of its best known operators, Jesus M. de Cordova, EAR96, on the occasion of his marriage to Victoria Lopez Marin . . . . . Eric W. Trebbilecock,



**HAWAIIAN GROUP OF HAMS**

Left to right, kneeling: K6KBV, K6KEF, K6AMU, K6HCO. Back row: K6OA, K6ELN, K6BAZ, K6GNW, K6CRU, K6GHZ, K6DSF.

Moonta, S. Australia, recently heard five continents within ten minutes . . . . . OA4Z is on every morning on 14 mc., looking for DX . . . . . Oddly enough, Pacific stations are only rarely heard in South America, according to CX2AF . . . . . "Snowy" Harrison was forced to change his call from the old familiar VK7CH to VK3CN when he moved to Shepparton, Victoria . . . . . He can be reached through the Bank of Australasia . . . . . Peruvian amateurs request that such "bootleg" stations as OA4XX on 14 mc. be boycotted by amateurs generally . . . . . Working such stations only encourages their continuance, and the present Peruvian regulations offer no excuse for illegal operation . . . . . Of the 648 stations that W2BSR has worked, only 58 are W's . . . . . Braaten doesn't seem to be much of a traffic man! . . . . . Amateurs handled official correspondence between the Canary Islands and the mainland for a time last May when the cable was broken . . . . . In recognition of the support he has given DE official receiving stations by acknowledging their reports, the D.A.S.D. printed 250 special QSL cards for Jack de Cure, VK3WL and presented them to him . . . . . XLA1Y, President of N.R.R.L., told W1SZ the other morning that he had just completed making WAC in slightly over

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0Z7Z, OWNED BY H. TSCHERNING PETERSEN, POSTBOX 45, NØRRESUNDBY, DENMARK, HAS BEEN ACTIVE SINCE 1924, WAC SINCE 1928

. . . . . EX4SAX in the Saar Basin has been active recently; QSL through the D.A.S.D. . . . . W9EUZ recently worked CT1BG on 7 mc. in the middle of a hot Chicago afternoon . . . . . DX'll come through at the doggoned-est times, sometimes! . . . . . OA4V had his



# CALLS HEARD



*E. F. Conyngham, Kanaga Harbor, Alaska*

QTH 51° 50' N 176° 20' W

ae2rt frk3 f4lkz kalba kalhr kalme kalna kalsx ka3aa  
k2ndv k6hlp pk1bo vk2ng vk2oj vk2xv vk2zo vk4rq vs6an  
w4tz w5vv w6ah w6am w6ame w6bhz w6cip w6dhe w6dlj  
w6dre w6dtx w6due w6gaq w6hyf w6ins w7aem w7bwi  
w7bwg w7byw w7chk w7dej w7due w7dzv w7hb w7js  
w7wl w9bwx w9bma w9lms z13bj z13nu

*ZD2A, Capt. G. C. Wilmot, Nigeria Regiment,  
Zaria*

*(Present address: Bryntirion, Ellesmere, Salop,  
England)*

(Calls heard on train journey Zaria-Euugh)

fm8ih g2bm g2ma w2yl g5dm g6rv oh4bz ve2ca wiepe  
wlss wlzz w3apj w4aio w4ajx w4eby w4tz w5af w5bzt  
w5ms w5tg w8zy w9adn w9arn w9ij xlam

*W6FKC, Seth O. Perkins, and W6ENV, Andrew  
H. Elsner, 1606 S. Orange Grove Ave., Los Angeles,  
Calif.*

(14-mc. band)

d4bar d4bbn d4bdr d4bmj d4buf d4buk d4caf ea4av ea5be  
f8eo f8ex f8gg f8pz f8rj f8tq f8wb g2bj g2bs g2de g2di  
g2dv g2ma g2oi g5bj g5by g5fv g5ni g5qa g5qb g5wy  
g5xt g5yh g5yv g5yx g6hp g6lk g6ml g6my g6py g6rb  
g6us g6vk g6xs haf3d la1x ly1j oe1er oe3fl oh3na oh3np  
ok1be ok2dd ok2hm ok2ma ok2op on4au on4bz on4en  
on4jb pa0af pa0ee pa0ll pa0ql pa0xf sm7ws sp1de sulec  
sulsg su6hl u2pz yr5aa zd2a zslh

(7-mc. band)

cr7ad zel1f zel1j zslcp zslb zslh zslz zs2a zs2d zs2f zs2h  
zs2x zs2z zs4m zs4t zs5a zs5e zs5q zs5u zs5x zs6aa zs6af  
zs6b zs6c ztlh ztlr ztlz zt2a zt2e zt2f zt2h zt2l zt2f zt5r  
zt5v zt5w zt5z zt6d zt6n zt6x zule zulin zulp zu5g zu5y  
zu6e zu6m zu6p fsjj g2aa g2jf pa0sp

*Keith Morehead, Mount Druitt, N. S. W., Aus-  
tralia*

(3900 to 4000-Kc. 'phones)

k6baz k6cib v3che w1ld w1el w2lo w3blz w3bmr w4alo  
w4be w4pw w5ate w6atn w6bcf w6beh w6cjq w6ers w6cz  
w6djs w6dte w6egr w6ep w6etm w6fd w6fev w6goy w6jbi  
w6ka w7buf w7bz w8cmd w9cz w9edw

*OK2HM, Ing. C. Haderka, Meziře near Olomouc,  
Czechoslovakia*

(14-mc. band)

j2gx j2gw j2iv j2jj j3dp j3ee pk1xh ulde u1nm ve5fg vs7jg  
w6adp w6xcw w6efr w6fal w6fxy w6jiv w7qc

*BR81338, Donald W. Morgan, 15 Grange Rd.,  
Kenton, Middlesex, England*

(14-mc. 'phones)

he1fg hi8x cm2wz cm2qy xz15f k4sa sulec oh2ne oh5ng la1g  
ve1dq veldr ve2dx ve2ca ve2bg ve2be ve2ee wlchi wldmn  
wlss wldw wlcab wldar wlahi wlcemd wlkw wlbes wla1z  
wlcoo wlbmn wladw wldrl wldil wlkw w1wz w2aoc w2evl  
w2dvy w2md w2goq w2gve w2aie w2tp w2aih w2kr w2byt  
w2bei w2de w2coj w2egw w2emt w2edw w2im w2bkw w2akk

w2byr w3zx w3nk w3bih w3awt w3bek w3ia w3coj w3ajd  
w3zj w3cig w3qb w3dw w3crg w8dlld w8ahu w8epd w8bt  
w8pk w9nw w9la w9gtu w9jhy w9bht w9adq w9fj w9bhm  
w9usa

*H. S. Bradley, 26 Madison St., Hamilton, N. Y.*

(14-mc. c.w. band)

sulaq sulec suleg sulgp sulro sulsg suisj su3eh ulad ufag  
u6cl yu7vv

(14-mc. 'phones)

etlby etlgu et2bk ealame ealbe ea3an f8dr f8jj f8vp g2ak  
g2ao g2ax g2dq g2gf g2oi g2sd g2xv g5bj g5by g5ev g5ju  
g5kh g5mi g5ml g5qy g5rd g5vb g5vm g5xb g5yv g5zg  
g6cw g6dl g6li g6pf g6po g6py g6rb g6rl g6to g6vp g6wy  
g6xq g6xr hb9aq hb9b hel1g hi8x ilki iltkm ilul ilxx k6baz  
la1g lu8dr on4abe on4ace on4au on4bz pa0im pa0kt pe0ti  
py1ek py2ak py2bn x1ai x1br x1g x1m x1q x2bj

*W8AQU, George L. Schiel, 21 Midway Rd., Mt.  
Lebanon, Pittsburgh, Pa.*

(14-mc. band)

vu2cp vs6aq sulsg sulch j2bi j2gx oe7ej

*Roger Legge, Jr., 20 Beethoven St., Binghamton,  
N. Y.*

(14-mc. 'phones)

la1g on4bz on4apd etlby etlgu g5by g6li g2oi g2sd g2ax  
g6py g2gf k4sa cm2wz cm2an cm2se cm2qy vp6mr xz1i  
lu8dr py2ak hel1g oa4b py2bn x1g x1ai x1q x1dr hi8x

*W2EXQ, Bill and Dick Peacock, 81 Westville Ave.  
Caldwell, N. J.*

(14-mc. band)

jlee j3jr

(7-mc. band)

ac8br ac8rl j1dpql

*BR8427, D. A. G. Edwards, Selwyn House,  
Chester Rd., Sutton Coldfield, Birmingham, Eng-  
land*

(14-mc. 'phones)

cm2an cm2qy cm2sv cm2wz hi7g k4sa py2ak sulec ve3el  
ve9be vp6mr w4ej w4ef w4si w4zf w5ahk w5anb(?) w5aeg  
w5bee w5yw w9aeg w9bhm w9bj w9bsz w9ecd w9ee  
w9gwz w9hbd w9ji w9rv w9usa

*Tom Applewhite, Jr., 339 West 26 St., Jacksonville,  
Fla.*

(7-mc. band)

kalhr k7ekt om2tb pk1bo ux2o

(14-mc. band)

j2gx vu2cp zd1n

(28-mc. band)

f8ej w1af w1fep w4ajx w4de w4tz

*G2ATS, H. Cohen, 81 Bristol Rd., Birmingham,  
England*

(14-mc. band)

w5yw w5bkg w5bu w5axq w5bmm w5aki w6aqk w6op  
w6axq



W3UVA, Charles M. Waff, Jr., Box 1212,  
University, Va.  
(July 10th-25th)  
(3.9-mc. 'phones)

xlg  
(7-mc. 'phones)

hclfg xlu  
(14-mc. 'phones)

cm2qy cm2wz ct1by g5bj g6by k4sa k6bas lu8dr ve2be  
ve2ea ve2cq ve2dg ve2dx ve2dz ve3cf ve3ll w6cin w6ene  
w7ark xlg

CX2AM, A. Mantegani, Jr., Box 37, Montevideo,  
Uruguay  
(7-mc. band)

k6gqv k6jpt vp5lf zslh  
(14-mc. band)

wldjx w1sz w1si w1cor w1bm w1da w1avl w2apy w2gjb  
w2cif w2uk w2bar w2cqx w3ag w3ana w3apj w4buq w4ber  
w4by w5dex w5dq w5ls w5afx w6qw w6bam w6chs w6cvz  
w6env w6vb w6exq w6cuh w6cxw w6cnx w6hex w6wb w6am  
w6isy w6ta w6grx w6qd w6fyt w6dsz w6grl w6fmu w6adp  
w6sz w6ft w6mx w7vy w7cfc w7rh w8ya w8cra w8cew w8axj  
w8dvs w8fey w8doi w8sv w8anq w8bti w9lor w9dos w9haq  
w9hjj w9hdn w9tb w9hvn w9cpq w9ij w9eay w9dhm w9gvr  
w9adn w9aeb w9ih w9asx w9grv w9jfb w9are w9gfd on4cal  
ve3dd ve2ax k6bag k6eog k6bfi k6vg j2hi j2in z2ci oa4z  
oa4j oa4b zslb zslh

W9NY, H. F. Wareing, 4547 N. 21st St., Mil-  
waukee, Wis.

(28-mc. band — July 2d-31st)

wlav w1bei w1bse w1co w1dqn w2aol w2evf w2dtb w2fab  
w2gox w2tp w3bfb w3bwd w4adt w4ajy w4arl w4bzh  
w4evg w4mr w5apq w5ecb w5wg w6idf w8mah w6vq w9avs  
w9dhn w9dvw w9frq w9gbj w9har w9nvg w9rol w9rso

G6YL, Miss B. Dunn, Felton, Northumberland,  
England

(14-mc. band)

w5bmm w6ahs w6bax w6bvx w6byu w6cnx w6evz w6dtb  
w6env w6fke w6fos w6fyt w6jju w6qd w7vy j2gx j2hi j3dp  
j5ce k4kd k5af kaler kalre on4cal ny2ab pk1ex pk1xb  
ve4du ve4nw ve4rh vk2ev vk2xu vk4rv vp5pz vq4erl  
vq4kta vs2af vs3ac vs3cm vs7g vs6cf zel1j zslh zs2a zs4m  
zs5a zs5n zs6aa xoh3nq xpa0erm xzn2b xzn2c

(7-mc. band)

u2ca vpu2 xoh2fj xzn2b xzn2c

Eric W. Trebilcock, Moonta, South Australia

(7-mc. band)

ac8ec cm8ck en8ata ct1eq ct2ap ct3an d4bqc ea5bd ei8b  
f8vt fb8vx fm8ih g2nm haf3d hb9ad helle ilal j3du k4sa  
k6gua kalcem de6ks ok2op om2na on4ace oz9mg pazxr  
pk3le pk4jk pk5vo sm7yn sp1du sulce ti2re u2sl ve5kl  
vk2xe vk7jb vp5pz vs6aq vu7kh w5amo x1ax yi7rk yp5bb  
zl3fg

W9ACN-Ex-9JL-9DLG-9EKM, Fred James  
Friel, Jr., 306 S. Main St., Winchester, Ky.

(14-mc. band)

vk2ba vk2ma vk2xu vk3dp vk3bg vk4dd vk4gk vk5fm  
vk5hg vk7jb zl2gn vu2ep vu2fp sulch sulce j2ce j2gx j2hb  
j2hz j7cj pk1ex pk1wb tf1ad

(28-mc. band)

w9aqd w4mr ok1aw f8ed zslb

W6ECU, Everett H. Penning, 507 Bellevue Ave.,  
Porterville, Calif.

(14-mc. band)

d4bar d4beu d4bdr d4bkk d4btm d4buf f8eo f8fe f8gg f8pz  
g2ma g2zq g5bj g5yh g6nj g6yl haf3d hb9y i1tkm ly1j oelcm

oe1er oe3fl oh3np ok2kp on4dx on4ma on4my pa0ce pa0oh  
pa0ll pa0vb u3an

D. P. Howe, Box 54, Gatun, Canal Zone  
(14-mc. band)

w6axn 26cvw w6dfo w6dre

(14-mc. 'phones)

w1aky w1dwy w8bae k4sa relbq

W. Lockerby, P. O. Telegraph, H. M. Wireless  
Station, Khormaksar, Aden, Arabia  
(7-mc. band)

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vk4gk vk5gw w1ajm w1ajh w1bsk w1cdx w1ch w1cmx  
w1cto w1det w1dhe w1for w1fid w1gex w1gms w1mk w1na  
w1ox w1ri w1sr w1si w1sb w1ug w1ws w1zi w2ael w2afn  
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w2gis w2ne w2ra w2rl w2wt w3ana w3bbb w3bcw w3bfs  
w3buy w3bsu w3ath w3avj w3cfv w3che w3cus w3bir  
w3dd w3dau w3gfy w4abr w4abg w4ahy w4ajx w4agx  
w4bfp w4bha w4bo w4bod w4bs w4ijx w4jxk w4pk w4we  
w5apy w7cfj w8ars w8axz w8bet w8bti w8dkk w8dvr  
w8dxd w8ecy w8fpw w8hwe w8ike w8kr w9aio

W2EOH, Craig B. Harvey, 311 Bendermere Ave.,  
Asbury Park, N. J.

(14-mc. 'phones)

oa4b cm2qy lu8dr vp6mr ilki g5by g5ml g5sg on4au on4bz  
lalq

(14-mc. c.w.)

j2gx

Thomas A. Cirno and J. Cassalett, 1012 Morris  
St., Utica, N. Y.

(14-mc. 'phones)

cm2an cm2jf cm2nv cm2ra cm2uy g5ml g5bj k4sa k6baz  
lalq lu8bje lu8dr oa4b py2ak py2bn ve5bh, ve4dl vp6mr  
x1al

(7-mc. 'phones)

hclfg hclfk hc2rl oa4b py2ak vp5g

## A.R.R.L. 28-Mc. Contest Rules

(Continued from page 17)

scored (monthly contacts with the same stations will be permitted to count), 50%. W/VE entries must be received at A.R.R.L. on or before Oct. 15, 1935. The 28-mc. band has been "hot" with dozens of DX contacts reported during each month starting with March this year. There is still time to get new 28-mc. sets built. It is easy to fix 14-mc. tank circuits to work on 28 mc. Start testing your equipment now. Report your results each week to A.R.R.L., and submit scores and log to both A.R.R.L. and R.S.G.B. at the end of the contest if you wish these to count for all awards.

Starting October 1, 1934, this International 28-mc. Contest will be in progress for one year, concluding at midnight September 30, 1935. This is open to all hams. In addition to an R.S.G.B. International Trophy and certificates to the leading ten stations wherever they prove to be, the A.R.R.L. will award a bronze medallion to the highest scoring United States or Canadian operator-experimenter.



# OPERATING NEWS



Conducted by the Communications Department

F. E. Handy, Communications Manager

E. L. Battey, Asst. Communications Manager

**WE HOPE** you like our new heading arrangement this month. The function of this department is to pass on to you the hottest news of amateur operating achievements, to discuss operating procedure, announce tests and ham meetings, encourage good operating, publish contributions in keeping with the true spirit and ideals of amateur radio, and support amateur organization. In short, we are concerned with the practical operating of the stations of all radio amateurs.

If you don't find a report of what you did in the way of 14-me. DX, or 1800-ke. 'phone, or on the other ham bands, herein, that will not be our fault altogether. We aim to find a way to record all outstanding work on all amateur frequencies. Your part of course will be to tell us or your Section Manager what work has been accomplished.

Better communication results in all aspects of our hobby, amateur radio, can be achieved through better operating. *The Radio Amateur's Handbook*, and also the League's operating booklet (the latter sent free to A.R.R.L. members who request it) contains lots of operating information which is being overlooked, if the number of unnecessarily long CQs we hear on the air these nights is any indication.

We don't aim to reform or change the hobby of the 'phone man, the traffic man, the DX enthusiast, the rag chewer or the experimenter. It is our personal view that all hams should know all aspects of our hobby, and be tolerant of the other fellow's viewpoint; that most hams do and are. We have noticed that sooner or later an amateur who starts in one branch of the game gets curious or fed up and aspires to try DX, try 'phone, try traffic, or the novelty of five meters, abandoning, at least for the time, his first interest in amateur radio. At times when a DX test is in progress a great many hams go after the DX fun thus made available by A.R.R.L., soon thereafter returning to their regular bent. It is our aim to benefit all concerned along the lines of his natural interest.

## Briefs

Information is received from G5GQ via W3BWT that a new station signing FBSC is now working in the 14-me. band. QRA is Paul Bour, Faravohitra, Tananarive, Madagascar, Sicem, DXers!

There are eleven amateur stations at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, within 400 yards of each other and all work 7 me.!!

Have you noticed? You have nine times the chance to get a fellow if you call him after his QRZ? than you have if you wait through a long (needlessly long) CQ?

W9ACN calls attention to the listing of KWT as a "marker station" in June QST. It should have read 13,750 kes., he says. Also, some of the police stations are now assigned 1706 kes.

Amateur radio with the Kansas National Guard this year operated under the call W9NI rather than the well-

known CX7 of past years. W9NI at Camp Whiteside, Ft. Riley, Kansas, maintained schedules with the following: W9PKD, W9AWB, W9IGQ, W9FRC, W9PR, W9DZI, W9OKA, W9DQJ, W9FLG, W9APF, W9EYY, W9KFK, W9GWN, W9KXB, W5FB, W9EHA, W9EFE, W9JET, W9DXD, W9LFN, W9AFD, W9BMA, W9BGL, W9YAB, W9AWP, W9BDB, W9KSY, W9FET and W9AWP. Most of these amateurs are in Kansas towns, and furnished daily contact with the homes of the fellows at the encampment. An average of about 300 messages per day was handled.

Ten hams received their diplomas with the class of 1934 at Roosevelt High School, Seattle, Wash.: W7AEA, W7BHH, W7BRT, W7BTW, W7DHR, W7EB, W7ECM, W7EEJ, W7EJV and "HK" of W7LD.

## Expedition Notes Archeological Expedition

W. L. Lane, K7CCL, is radio operator with the Alaska College Department of Interior Archeological Expedition to St. Lawrence Island. The expedition will be at the island excavating an old village site until mid-September. A type 30DXB Collins transmitter will be operated under the call K7CCL on 7 and 3.5 me. Schedules are desired with amateurs to facilitate traffic handling from the eight members of the party. Operator Lane will attempt to contact as many hams as possible. QRA is Kukulik, St. Lawrence Island, Alaska; send QSL's to Box 459, Cordova, Alaska. Be on the watch for K7CCL.

## Bol-Inca Expedition

CP1GB of the Bol-Inca Expedition to Bolivia is getting into the States very well. Signals from CP1GB are usually found just outside the high frequency end of the 14-me. band. W6WO has logged the expedition several times, first on July 5th. WSDWV worked CP1GB July 7th at 10:15 p.m. E.S.T. On July 7th WSDQN took a message from CP1GB addressed to A.R.R.L. HQs. W2GOX reports contacts on July 9th and 10th and, under date of July 18th, advised that he was maintaining a regular schedule with CP1GB. W8COB made a contact on July 22d. The latest report on the expedition comes from W3EDP, Trenton, N. J., who QSO'ed on July 23d, took a message for Trenton, delivered and returned answer within a few minutes.

## Schooner Morrissey—W10XDA

14-me. 'phone is being used practically exclusively on this year's trip of the *Morrissey* to Greenland. W2NY QSO'ed W10XDA on July 8th and 12th, and reports that W10XDA is contacting G5YH, G2SD and G5BJ as well as U. S. amateurs. W4CPZ made contact on June 17th. W3ZX has had several QSOs with the ship, handling traffic for the Navy Department. Under date of August 1st, W9EIB reports working W10XDA at Melville Bay, Greenland. He received two messages from operator Moe, W2UN, and relayed them to his home in Brooklyn, N. Y. A schedule was arranged between W9EIB and W10XDA.

Word is received of a Polish Arctic Expedition to Spitzbergen to be out the entire summer of 1934. Con-

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net will be attempted with all parts of the world. Call signals are SOB and SOE. Wavelengths between 40 and 80 meters are used. Schedules are arranged for 0000-0100, 0600-0700, 1200-1300, 1800-1900 M.E.T., transmissions being made the first five minutes of each quarter-hour. Any amateurs copying material from SOB or SOE should send same to Polski Związek Krotkofalowcow, Warszawa, Poland, Nowy Swiat 21.

Working with cooperation of a local newspaper, hams at Sarasota, Fla., are building an emergency transmitter and receiver for use in the hurricane season in case the lines go out—which they always do. Plans will be made to communicate with other Florida stations in the storm area and also to contact hams in Atlanta who can handle United Press stuff to and from this Section. As soon as our emergency transmitter is on the air we are going to work up tests with Atlanta to be all set when the blow starts.

C. A. Service, Jr., W4—

### 1.75-mc. Code Practice

The Central Colorado Radio Association, Arvada, Colo., is conducting a series of code practice transmissions on the 1.75-mc. 'phone band. Call used is W9PWU, frequency 1967 kcs. Automatic sending is used and special attention is given to beginners working for their licenses. The schedule is announced as follows: August—3:30-4:30 p.m. M.S.T. each Saturday; September—6:00-6:30 p.m. M.S.T. each Wednesday and Saturday; October—3:30-4:30 p.m. M.S.T. each Sunday; November—7:30-8:00 p.m. M.S.T. each Monday, Wednesday and Friday, December (arrangements incomplete)—Experimental high-speed transmissions 5:00-5:30 a.m. M.S.T. each Saturday. Regular evening schedule to be announced later. If you are interested in these schedules, tack them up in front of your receiver so as not to forget this service offered by the C.C.R.A.

### Coming Meetings

*Annual Field Day, Ottawa Amateur Radio Transmitting Association*, Labor Day, September 3d, will be held at picnic grounds near Lanark, Ontario. Watch for signs at Lanark. All hams are invited with their YLs, YFs, Ma's, Pa's, etc. Family groups should bring their own eats. Refreshments will be served to outside guests. Being portable receivers for hidden transmitter hunt, also 56-mc. gear. Prizes for best portable set and for all contests. Program starts at 2 p.m. E.D.S.T. If weather unfavorable, date will be postponed until following Sunday, September 9th. Drop a card to VE3MX, 251 Fifth Avenue, Ottawa, if you will be there.

*Marin Radio Amateurs, Field Day and Hamfest*, to be held at McNears Beach in Marin County, Calif., on September 16th. Cordial invitation is extended to all hams and SWLs in the San Francisco bay region. Program includes exhibits of transmitters and receivers, contests, swimming, dancing, and "gab-festing"; 56-mc. demonstration also being planned. Come one, come all!

### On 1.75-mc. 'Phone

An excellent piece of 1.75-mc. 'phone work has been carried out by W6JDI, Burlingame, Calif., for over five months. He transmits on regular weekly schedule to E. B. Dell, U. S. Government Teacher at Kalslag, Alaska, sending letters and messages from Dell's friends and relatives in California. The schedule has been most reliable with only one miss in a twenty-week period; the miss then was occasioned by work on the speech equipment. FB, W6JDI!

W2CXD says to "tell the OM's to quit using 100-foot masts for antennae. How can they expect to get rid of QSB with such 'high-strung' antennae!!" Hi.

The Michigan Department of Conservation credits "the amateur radio network" with making it possible to keep a forest fire near Traverse City down to a 1000-acre burn. Soon after the fire was discovered and an alarm given, the state conservation commissioner radioed a report to Lansing through WSAEQ, Traverse City. The report was received by W8JO, Okemos, and two hours later another radiogram said the fire had been placed under control. This is just one example of the work being done by Michigan amateurs in cooperation with the Conservation Department. W8JO is heading the work.

### DX Data

Charlie Perrine, W6CUH/W6QD, relates: "ZT5R was worked some half-dozen times during June, usually the poorest month of the year for Africa. This makes the first year that Africa has been in continuously all year long, QSO's having been had during every one of the last twelve months. Trans-Pacific work has been hampered by poor conditions, although the poor reception has been mostly reported at the Oriental end. Speaking of trans-Pacific work brings to mind a relay we stepped into the other day. QSO V86AQ on 14 mc. at 1600 GMT, a message was taken from H.A.R.T.S. for Jack Clarri-coats of the B.E.R.U. Immediately following the VA with V86AQ, a 'CQ G' was sent, raising G2MA going 30-per on his bug, as usual; and the QSP was effected inside of five minutes! J2GX is doing yeoman duty in providing W's with WAC."

W6FMU reports that VK2XU has worked all continents on 'phone with 10 watts input to the final stage!! This was between October '33 and June '34.

### 56-mc. Notes

Real DX on 56 mc.! W8EQV, Columbus, Ohio, reports logging the following stations on 56 mc. at about 6:45 p.m. E.S.T. on June 20, 1934: W1HQY, Taunton, Mass., W1GTD, Uncasville, Conn., and W2BRI, Valley Stream, L. I. Each station was on a different frequency, and W8EQV feels it could not have been a "rebroadcast." W1HQY, the greatest DX, was using a pair of '10s oscillator, modulated by a pair of '46s. Antenna was a Pickard, about 30 feet above ground. W8EQV was using a super-regenerative receiver, 37-37-38 tube line-up. The report checks with W1HQY's log!

W6AM is now using a pair of '45s on 56 mc. to move local traffic around Southern California after picking it up with the regular 7-mc. rig. In Los Angeles it is common practice to hear a score of 56-mc. stations in one night.

W3QV advises of some good 56-mc. work by W3AJF, Glenside, Pa., who has been heard several times by W3BDI, near New Tripoli, Pa., and W3CCH, Mt. Penn. Reading, Pa., 55 and 45 miles distant respectively. On Sunday, July 8th, W3AJF was also heard by W2VH, portable at Sun's Point, N. Y., approximately 115 miles air line. His equipment is '45s push pull, modulated by a pair of 250's.

W3AJV wants to hear from hams working on 56 mc. in cities en route to the west coast, with the idea of lining up a relay. If you will work with him, or in lining up an east-west route from your locality to connect together into a national route, drop him a card.

### Automatic Relay Work

C. D. Kenter, W3ZX, sends some interesting dope on a "rebroadcast" system which he and W3COT have in operation. W3COT in Haddonfield, N. J., three miles from W3ZX, is equipped with a 56-mc. transmitter and two 14-mc. receivers. One 14-mc. receiver is always set on

W3ZX, the other is used for outside reception and includes a mixer system for rebroadcasting 14-mc. signals to W3ZX on 56 mc. At W3ZX the gear consists of a 14-mc. transmitter, a 14-mc. receiver, and a 56-mc. receiver with mixer to feed the 14-mc. transmitter with the 56-mc. signal from W3COT and to monitor him at all times. In addition to working quite a few Middle West and West Coast stations, they have worked XIG, G5BJ, G6PY, CT1BY, K4SA and ON4AU. This system is found advantageous in ordinary QSO's also, since when the station worked is transmitting he is received both at W3ZX and at W3COT, and what one misses the other gets. At times W3COT rebroadcasts his received signal on 56 mc., which makes it possible at W3ZX to listen with one earphone on the 14-mc. receiver and the other on the 56-mc. receiver! A nice piece of duplex work was accomplished with W9USA. W3ZX's signal went direct to W9USA, while W9USA's signal was received at W3COT and rebroadcast on 56 mc. to W3ZX. G5BJ and G6DL are working on a remote control system at the present time. G6DL, one quarter mile from G5BJ, will be the 56-mc. remote point.

## The Official 'Phone Station Appointment

At one convention we found that some of the gang have had the erroneous idea that "O.P.S. is just a scheme to get voice stations to handle traffic." Nothing against traffic, but that isn't the basic idea at all. The A.R.R.L. plan is designed to give all 'phone men a real national organization of their own.

The O.P.S. group constitutes "national" 'phone organization at the same time an operating code and qualifications are not lost sight of. Through our "parties," tests, round tables, Section "before breakfast" clubs, etc., 'phone fun is increased at the same time we get somewhere in discussing more serious problems, and testing out our stations in a constructive manner. 'Phone Activities Managers have been appointed in most A.R.R.L. Sections to arrange local organization work, and to test or pass on O.P.S. applications and make suitable recommendations. Where S.C.M.'s have not yet appointed a P.A.M., voice operators should apply for the post, recommend candidates who are qualified or inquire of the S.C.M. who is their own A.R.R.L. voice-representative. If your Section Manager hasn't made this appointment it is quite possible because you fellows working on 'phone haven't given him your ideas and asked for it yet.

The Official 'Phone Station appointment (outlined fully in Operating an Amateur Radio Station booklet) does not require traffic handling of any 'phone station operator . . . any more than a WAC certificate requires the DX-minded holder to handle traffic . . . or the Official Broadcasting Station appointee is required to do things out of his field. Naturally, since "traffic" is just putting conversations in formal shape for a relay, OBS, DXers, OO's, OPS, etc., may all handle and report some, required or not! Of course we're glad to have the dope on anything all our stations are doing . . . but we call for activity reports. These may or may not include traffic. The O.P.S. appointment does not represent unattainable standards. It stands for above-average practices in station adjustment and operation, thus helping to raise the general level of courtesy and efficiency in ham phone work.

So O.P.S. appointment is not connected with a traffic requirement, but has to do with operating fun at the same time one subscribes to high operating ideals in station practice, and at the same time it lays a sound basis for truly national phone organization.

## RE TRAFFIC HANDLING BY VOICE

We have been asked about "'phone traffic." Sure thing, handle as much as you like to . . . but don't handle it because we told you to, or because you think you have to;

you don't have to. A.R.R.L. doesn't believe in high pressuring or "forcing" ham activities. A hobby consists of constructive communications work that we like to do, not that we are obliged to do! Results of forced efforts would not last long. Success in A.R.R.L. organization has always come from volunteer cooperation along the lines of natural interest. The "traffic hound" whose specialty is message handling gets his fun from his tangible accomplishment and the schedule with a fellow "reliable." He aligns himself naturally with the O.R.S. group, for that consists of the operators who keep schedules and who have the traffic to handle. With most of us who use 'phone, traffic work is incidental; the emphasis is normally placed on rag-chewing and personal friendships, contact over the air supplemented by visits, the finest of personal and fraternal spirit. In reporting activities, by all means report any messages you may have handled in addition to giving the high points of your month's experimenting, visiting, and operating.

While on this subject, we must add the suggestion that all hams who use 'phone read Radiophone Traffic Handling (page 51, June '34 QST). It contains many thoughts for making all 'phone communication more effective, traffic work included.

Who remembers Tuska's article in January 1916 QST, "Oscillating Audions," in which he informed us that "the most sensitive audion bulbs are those which turn blue at a telephone voltage of about thirty"? Whew!

—W1AY/W9FZN/W3CVT

## A.R.R.L. Official Observers

NEED a frequency check? Each volunteer Observer is appointed by his SCM to help all hams keep on assigned frequencies. One qualification of his appointment is that he is required to have an accurate frequency meter.

Also Observers aim to help brother amateurs by calling attention to a.c. notes, poor spacing, violations of good practice, improper broadness, over-modulation, poor speech quality, etc., in the right way to obtain maximum cooperation in bettering operating conditions, and ham enjoyment, while they operate their own stations. Observing work over the air is supplemented by sending of postal card notifications requesting cooperation. Some radiotelephone operators are asking that OO's spend more time in the 'phone bands. More properly equipped men are perhaps needed recruited from the 'phone bands. A.R.R.L. Section Communications Managers (page 5 listing) will welcome applications for appointment from properly qualified hams working in the 'phone bands.

Give one of the following men a call when you need to ask QRG?

W1ABG, W1AGA, W1APZ, W1ARB, W1ASI, W1ATF, W1AXN, W1BD, W1BHM, W1BMW, W1DMD, W1EAO, W1FTT, W1KH, W1NR, W1QV, W1VF, W1WV, W1ZB, W1ZI, W1ZS-BZI, W2AH, W2AIQ, W2AJD, W2AZV, W2BBC, W2CL, W2EGF, W2EWU, W2FF, W2LR, W2US, W2VH, W3AMB, W3AQI, W3ASG, W3BAI, W3BAN, W3BBV, W3BEI, W3BFL, W3BRY, W3CXL, W3DH, W3EDP, W3GY, W3OO, W3ZF, W3ZI, W3ZK, W4AAD, W4ADL, W4AG, W4ATS, W4AZB, W4BN-PAP, W4BOZ, W4PM, W5AIR, W5ASQ, W5ID, W5NT, W6AF, W6AHJ, W6AOZ, W6CDU-ALU, W6CHG, W6CIZ, W6DPJ, W6DQV, W6FFU, W6FW, W6GEG, W6GM, W6NFCFN, W6QA, W6QR, W6RJ, W7AAZ, W7ABU, W7AYV, W7BJZ, W7BRC, W7KL, W7WL, W8ACZ, W8AEL, W8AFM, W8AJI, W8AOW, W8AWX, W8BDG, W8BFF, W8BHK, W8BIU, W8BLH, W8CIO, W8CO, W8CPY, W8CWO, W8DIG, W8DSP, W8DT, W8FMX, W8GP, W8KMT, W8NQ, W9ABF, W9ACN-DLG, W9AFN, W9AKJ, W9AND, W9AOX, W9BHH, W9BPU, W9BRX, W9CIM, W9CWC, W9CWI, W9CZM, W9DDE, W9DNP, W9DOE, W9DUD, W9ENF, W9ESE, W9ESL, W9FF, W9FO, W9HUV, W9JCH-MIH, W9JUT, W9JVP, W9SJ, CM2WW, CM8YB, K6AIU, VE2AP, VE2CX, VE3DU, VE3GI, VE5HP.



## Counting Ham Traffic

A.R.R.L. traffic totals may include all traffic handled on amateur frequencies (and amateur frequencies only) which is handled with full data included by any standard form of message. That is, A.R.R.L. message form, or N.C.R. or A.A.R.S. form (when in drills or net operation using an amateur frequency) may be used, the principle being that when all essential data required by those agencies are included a message may be considered complete. In whatever volunteer work it is engaged, a station has an amateur status, and the total is a strictly "amateur" total if handled under ham-band conditions on amateur frequencies.

### CLASSIFY YOUR AMATEUR, A.A.R.S., AND N.C.R. TRAFFIC

Traffic handled under a government (non-amateur) call, on a non-amateur-band frequency, should not be counted in "amateur" totals reported to S.C.M.S., but should be classified separately. Both the amateur total, and the "army" and "navy" totals, as the case may be, may be sent to your A.R.R.L. Section Manager, who invites these reports. Such totals must be clearly and separately classified, since in our B.P.L. it is our desire to avoid placing amateur-band work in direct competition with that accomplished on special frequencies.

Last December, A.A.R.S. Headquarters wrote us and queried the absolute fairness of reporting totals handled on non-amateur frequencies. It is not only the criticism that amateur operators should not be placed in competition with paid or regular army or navy operators that A.R.R.L. should avoid, but attention has recently been drawn to the fact that, given a special clear channel outside amateur-band QRM, it is easier and pleasanter to handle traffic reliably, and an unjust advantage given the operators holding such special permission over those who have to get their traffic through without the advantage of a "cleared channel."

The frequency of the transmitter is the criteria for determining the status of a station. When the transmitter is on an amateur frequency the work can be reported as "amateur" even when you work expeditions, government control stations, etc., that may be on non-amateur frequencies. Stations working with amateurs part time or full time in N.C.R. drills, or A.A.R.S. nets, using a government status and government frequency, are invited to report this work under its properly assigned call for separate mention (from strictly amateur band work of the same stations) in QST.

## About Handling Messages

Message texts should be transmitted *exactly* as received. The blackest sin an operator can commit is to change a message. Do not accept messages unless and until words are spelled out completely. No abbreviations in texts is an excellent rule. It is not a violation of good practice to change the order of preamble though, when traffic is transferred between services. Standard amateur procedure uses the cable count check (optional). The preamble goes "CITY—STN.—NR.—DATE—CK." The NCR uses tactical procedure, and along with most other radio services, cable count check. A.A.R.S. start traffic with "NR-STN-GR-CITY-TIME-DATE" and use a "text" check like W.U. and wire services. The War Department recently told A.A.R.S. to use A.A. message form in transmitting messages between amateurs working A.A.R.S. net skeds. It was not ordered that this form be used for traffic work outside A.A.R.S. channel. *It is the correct thing to do to change the preamble to the form used by the service you are operating in.* This helps both accuracy and speed, and proves you a real operator.

Thus NCR messages can be changed from tactical procedure to amateur form. Thus A.A.R.S. messages will go best via straight amateur channels, in amateur form. "MO" of W6BSV sums the policy up by saying he en-

## BRASS POUNDERS' LEAGUE

(June 15th-July 16th)

Call	Orig.	Del.	Rel.	Total
W9JWI	293	14	1962	2269
W2EKM	101	52	2105	2258
W9CJQ	31	90	1082	1203
W9KCP	78	294	709	1081
W6ETL	166	413	468	1047
W8JTT	80	70	868	1018
W9KGG	45	220	714	979
W8AWX	400	374	150	924
W6ALU	117	177	606	900
W6AZU	106	201	584	891
W2LKL	19	48	705	772
W-BWT	92	116	485	693
W8UW	10	18	650	678
KAINA	128	52	462	642
W8DSS	83	72	486	641
W2ELK	52	177	364	593
W3BYS	309	84	182	575
W2BZZ	36	45	494	575
W8EIK	21	10	526	557
KATIEE	59	127	336	522
W6IHK	30	20	452	502

### MORE-THAN-ONE-OPERATOR STATIONS

K6EWQ	528	322	2436	3286
W3CXL	139	185	1477	1801
W6ZC	787	559	408	1754
KAIHR	468	305	868	1641
W6FWJ	169	66	994	1229
W5DVG	65	32	574	671

These stations "make" the B.P.L. with totals of 500 or over. Many "rate" extra credit for one hundred or more deliveries. The following one-operator stations make the B.P.L. for delivering 100 or more messages; the number of deliveries is as follows: Deliveries count!

W3ANT, 162	VESJK, 108	W3CWL, 106
W2ENZ, 145	W6BSE, 108	W7QL, 104
WIMK, 134	W9HUM, 107	W3CL, 102
W4KV, 115	VE3QK, 106	VE5CV, 101

A total of 500 or more, or just 100 or more deliveries will put you in line for a place in the B.P.L.  
• May-June.

dorses the idea one should "When in Rome, do as the Romans do." If and whenever in amateur status use amateur form.

Never change message texts. In securing messages demand complete addresses. In delivering and relaying see that all words are spelled out completely. It is correct to make the order of preamble that of the service you are operating in.

## The N Prefix

Wondering about the number of N stations in the amateur bands these days? Or perhaps you handled a message with N2DYV or NIAMG in the preamble?

For a United States amateur station to use the N prefix (in place of the W or K), the amateur must be a member of the Naval Communication Reserve; in addition, the use of the N must be authorized in writing by the Commandant of the Naval District, in accordance with N.C.R. regulations. Information on how to join the Reserve may be obtained by writing Lt.-Comdr. William J. Lee, Office of Chief of Naval Operations, Navy Department, Washington, D. C.

The N prefix is authorized only for use in the 1715- to 2000- and 3500- to 4000-ke. amateur bands. Its use is not confined to Naval Reserve drills or Naval Reserve traffic, however. It may be used, when authorized, by a reservist, in general amateur communication with other United States amateurs. Stations using the N prefix are subject to all the regulations of the Federal Communications Commission for amateur stations. The N prefix (when heard) indicates that these amateurs are active members of the N.C.R. This prefix is a special identifying distinction granted by the United States to the amateur stations whose reserve-member operators have met the qualifications.

## Traffic Briefs

W6HRN worked the Hubbard Alaskan Expedition, K7ALT, at False Pass, Alaska, on June 16th.

The Yacht *Scaramouche* has been granted authority to communicate with amateur stations. Information on work with this ship will be appreciated.

## STATION ACTIVITIES

### ATLANTIC DIVISION

**EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA**—SCM, Jack Wagenseller, W3GS. Note new address of S.C.M. on page 5. Watch for S.C.M. Bulletin to be mailed all O.R.S. and traffic stations Sept. 1st. Due to an error, BYs' total of 506 was omitted in last month's report. BYS, alone, makes BPL this month. DQP, DBN, ERF, ESH and ETM report for first time. EPJ has universal exciter. DYX worked seven C.C.C. stations. MC retired to 56 mc. for summer. ADE is outstanding in all O.R.S. parties. EOP is building rack and panel job. DMF is constructing Tri-tet. SEOH and DIG are recuperating from illness. 3BNK is going on 28 mc. CUG is on from 3CHL as second op. SCVS schedules N. G. camp, 8FXE. 3EIC worked ZL2CY on 7 mc. with 200 watts input; QRP to 35 watts made only slight decrease in strength to R5. 3EGA uses '03A final. All reporting stations: please include news items with your reports! SELZ is new op at 8LUI.

Traffic: W3BYS 575 DQP 32 DBN 27 ABZ 16 EPJ 2 DYX 3 MC 334 ADE 4 AQN 45 EOP 39 ERF-ESH 6 ETM 1 DWZ 34 DMF 7 EZ 122 CL 372 ECD 49. W8EOH 7 LUI 114.

**MARYLAND-DELAWARE-DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**—SCM, E. L. Hudson, W3BAK—CXL keeps 15 daily schedules. BWT has 9 schedules. ASO spends week-ends in cottage on Chesapeake. EWH/OZ handles DX traffic. BGI works 28 and 56 mc. DML is new O.R.S. EIL has new receiver. DTO is building new transmitter. DRE has power leak trouble. EOG is new O.R.S., ex-O.R.S. 8VR. CDQ attended Pittsburgh Convention. CLQ joined Army and is at Ft. Monmouth Radio School. 2CYA is back in Washington after graduating from school in N. Y.

Traffic: W3CXL 1801 BWT 693 BND 315 EKJ 59 ASO 41 EWH/OZ 25 BGI 18 BAK 15 CIZ 14 DML 11 EIL 5 CDG-DTO 4 DRE 1.

**SOUTHERN NEW JERSEY**—SCM, Gedney M. Rigor, W3QL—AVJ renewed O.R.S. NF keeps early morning schedules. CWL is forced off air while his hand heals. VE is going to camp. EDP holds his own for Trenton Section. ZI will be at Pine Camp, N. Y., next month, operating SGHY. ARV gets good reports from 59 as crystal osc. and amplifier. AQG got his long cherished O.P.S. BYK finally worked a VEL. SM leaves for Panama for a year. AYZ received O.P.S. certificate. CQO works successfully with low-power 'phone. BHT is on for summer. New Maple Shape hams: ETL and ETY. BIR is O.B.S. with 500-watt c.w. station in Trenton. S.J.R.A. is having 56-mc. hunt. G.C.R.A. is having annual outing.

Traffic: W3AVJ 12 NF 37 CWL 183 VE 73 APV 175 DSC 67 EDP 28 AEJ 6 ZI 138 ARV 22 AQG-BYK 1 BYR 2.

**WESTERN NEW YORK**—SCM, Don Farrell, W8DSP—JTT is new R.M. and FB op. AWX had station at Boy Scout Jamboree. DSS, R.M., is running State Net. KMC visited in E. N. Y.-N. N. J. Sections. JTP is new O.R.S. JQE wants more schedules. BQJ is new O.B.S. on 7130 kc. EBR spends most time on DX. LUJ says receiver per June QST perks FB. JMI reports for first time. KBS is putting rig in new rack. EWP has learned Morse. ERZ was on U.S.N.R. cruise, Destroyer *Babbitt*. BHK uses low power. LWD sends first traffic report. JLG attended Atlantic Division Convention. AGS is going on cruise with U.S.N.R. BGN and AXE are active on 56 mc. ERU is on 3842 kc. GZM had

nice time on Utica Club visit. AWM says Jamestown Club going strong. BJO, R.M., is now on T.E.R.A. AAR wants traffic for Waterloo. BR is at summer school at Cornell. LGR was at Army Camp for two weeks. KKR had 1500 QSOs his first year on the air. CYT was recently heard saying, "I do." KMC handles traffic at "Y" camp. ITN gets out well on 7 mc. BDX has rack and panel job. AOW, R.M., has new Haigis 56-mc. rig. CO is building 59 RK20 for AOW. DSP is on with 59 Tri-tet and 841. DT is doing broadcast service. New York State will be well covered by new State Net being formed by DSS, Chief Route Manager of W. N. Y.

Traffic: W8JTT 1018 AWX 924 DSS 641 KMC 391 JTP 336 JQE 110 BQJ 40 EBR 26 LUJ 2f GPS 20 VJ 19 JMI-KBS 16 EUY-JJJ-EWP 8 ERZ 7 HXE-BHK-LWD 2 JLG 1.

**WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA**—SCM, C. H. Grosarth, W8CUG—CMP likes the '46 in Tri-tet. CAX is new O.O. HLM is building 14-mc. 'phone. JSU won transformer at Convention. GUF went after O.R.S. Party prize. KQQ dropped new '04A and broke filament. KWA made schedule with 9USA. HGG is back with new rig. LOQ plays checkers over the air with 8IMX. GJM is doing some 56-mc. mobile work. IQB is c.e. now, 3527 kc. KSG has first-class commercial ticket. CUG is trying to get antenna back up where it belongs! CFU is trying for O.P.S. appointment.

Traffic: W8CMP 4 CAX 17 HLM 5 JSU 2 CQA 10 GUF 72 KQQ 1 YA 79 KWA 238 HGG 109 LOQ 7 GJM 2 JZZ 18 AXD 5 IQB 6 ABS 11 CUG 19.

### CENTRAL DIVISION

**ILLINOIS**—SCM, Fred J. Hinds, W9APY-W9WR—R.M.s 9AND and 9ERU. AE, RTY, IKQ, OJJ, RDU, MFA and ANQ; rebuilding. BBR is on 14-mc. 'phone and 3.5-mc. c.w. HQH is on c.w. and 'phone. PVG got back his old call, HB. DLO worked a couple of VKs. OXA is c.e. AND and ERU plan a busy Illinois season this fall. Transmitter all apart at KJY. KEH received cards from "I" and "VK." RCQ has new RK-20. NDB using Collins matchboxes. KIT wants to know if anyone has seen his father. PNE is back on 14 mc. OOD is moving to California. DDO and ANQ applied for O.R.S. New '52 final at DSS. OVY erected a 7-mc. Zepp. DOU and CKC are taking portables to camp. SG worked J2HJ. HUM had portable at Boy Scout Camp. WC lost his appendix. AFN got R9 from LU, HC and K6. Experimenting on 28 mc. at BYZ. IEP and NIU went to Mich. with portables. JO is putting 212Ds in final of new rig. DBO is making a few BCL short-wave receivers. Flea power at IZP. PTW replaced the '10s with '45s. MLH is at 8KJA for summer. Condenser mike at AD. First reports from RVB and RPN. New receiver at BRX.

Traffic: W9HUM 402 DOU 371 CKC 173 HPG 153 USA 104 LW 92 IEP 78 DBO 71 AD-CGV 70 KEH 65 IBC 61 FO 39 AFN 36 CUB 30 NRV 29 OXA 26 HQH 20 AND 16 DDO-IZP 13 DSS-MLH 12 JO-RTY 10 ORT 9 SG 8 PTW 7 ERU-GKH 6 ANQ-LIV-NDB-RCQ-RVB 4 KIT-PBQ 2 OVY-RPN 1.

**INDIANA**—SCM, Arthur L. Braun, W9TE—HBK is on at Marion. EGQ is experimenting. NWB uses a 59 osc. MM has trouble with 14-mc. rig. CKG operates on all bands. AXH likes 3900 end of 'phone band. SEL is new Ind'pls ham. SFG is a doctor at Brownburg. FQ keeps a few schedules. LSZ is grinding rocks. GFS has new transmitter and receiver. PEF is planning 'phone rig. PEG has new 40-ft. high ant. MQQ was heard in Russia. LIV works at Logansport temp. MFW is going to join C.C.C. HSF is trying 59's suppressor grid mod. HPQ plans 28-mc. rig. PQL hears plenty DX on 7 mc. JHY was reappointed O.P.S. AEA has new rig perking. LQJ has pair '00's with 500 watts input. ARK has new receiver. JZP is going to camp Knox. OKX is QRL service work. KPN wants a.c. receiver. RIG gets out FB. Phone men interested in O.P.S. write the S.C.M. Rebuilding: MQV, HUO.

Traffic: W9NWB 1 MQV 2 HTP 20 CKG-JOQ 1 AXH-FQ 6 DET 12 GFS 1 PEF 32 PEG 4 MQQ 17 HPQ 5 KPN 3.

KENTUCKY—SCM, Carl L. Pflumm, W9OX—The entire Ky. gang and the ham fraternity at large mourns the loss of 9ETD, who passed on, July 2d. The absence of his well-known and friendly voice on the air will be keenly felt by his many friends. ACN has worked 124 countries to date. AUH received Siberian QSL on QSO of two years ago, thereby making W.A.C.! BJA is back in traffic business again. EDQ is building new equipment. Sixty mile wind on Friday 13th fails to flatten BWJ's 73-ft. mast. CIM is trying for W.A.C. HAX is on duty in Chicago until Sept. 10th. CDA is getting ready for Binge. PXX reports entire Paducah gang coming to PANIC. BAN still has an A battery in captivity. BAZ, the big whiskey man, is working on PANIC beer nowadays. AYH, HCO, NBD, NBS, ARU: rebuilding. EDV has new and higher mast. Vacation QRM's FZV. EYW reports enthusiasm for PANIC. CNE is moving out of Radio City to other end of town. HBQ is busy making reservations for PANIC attendance. FGK visited Radio City in New York. KKG and MGT combine. GLH is fishing—but no fish. CSO is installing 1.7-mc. 'phone. Radio service work QRM's GNV. ETT is selling out cheap for cash! River swallows ELL. Lightning bolt completely demolished OX's transmitter. SEPTEMBER SECOND is the date of the BIG HAM PICNIC in Louisville. Hundreds of valuable prizes will be given away. YOU be there!

Traffic: W9ACN 227 HBQ 43 AUH 34 BJA 26 EDQ 25 CNE 18 BWJ 17 KCZ 14 KOX-CKH-CIM 11 HAX-CDA-BAN 9 BAZ 7 AYH 6 HCO-EDV 5 FZV 4 PXX 2 EYW 1.

MICHIGAN—SCM, Kenneth F. Conroy, WSDYH—September: Now is the time for all good men to come to the aid of their Section. Let's bang 'em hard this season, Michigan! MICHIGAN NINES: Nice work by 9AAM, FPF, DAB and other Marquette boys on the recent forest fire. FB work at Isle Royale by 9PCU, 8JJD, 9CEX, ADY and OWM saved a boy's life—pendix case. OZM reports EQV made a bug for the YLs at PCU and got some pictures in return. OOO and PSD work for Telephone Co. CEX QRM's BCL with 'phone. Cupid got OZM! KDE puts 1000v at 150 mils on P.P. '10s! MJW, now at Flint, had visit from FBC. MXN reports POC with nice 1.75-mc. rig. CWR is QRL Fishing. Baseball and YLs. DDK reports complete rebuilding. CE has family cares—Gardens, etc. LUU uses 4-stage rig for all hands. HSQ reports 4CVT new in Marquette. HSQ rebuilds. RHM keeps A.A.R.S. schedules. Sunday a.m. ADY keeps his schedule in the Romeo Nut-work. GGF gives three cheers for R.M. PDE. SCEU awaits that W9 call for work from C.C.C. camp in U.P. Conservation Dept. is getting priceless help from the W9's. Any of the gang missing out on it get in touch with SJO. Emergency Equip't R.M. of Mich., Lansing. MICHIGAN EIGHTS: SND is working up schedule with Holland to QSO with folks there. WA keeps his "Detroit News Ham Column" going FB. JO will mail the "Conservation Dept. Bulletin" to all hams interested in outdoor life—monthly paper and free. Write him. MV schedules HFB at boys' camp. KPL says we're wrong: it WAS a boy—9½ lbs! LSU wants O.R.S. GHP has power supply problem licked. LEA reports MCY is ex9GVR. IOR keeps scheduling them. DWB reports several of G.R. gang in N.C.R. QT holds Army call WLTX. IXM reports good results with short calls and wonders why more fellows don't use 'em. HBZ likes O.R.S. parties! AFH follows WNCN on the lakes. GQS had his portable band in Penna. CVF reports experiments with forest-fire-fighting equipment in District 13. ICM is QRL auto-radios. EBX plans c.e. rig. BTP and IFD work together on camp traffic. DCQ is on 7 mc. CM handled message via VQ from Egypt. WANTED: "Crystal icebox. My crystal won't work if room is over 80 degrees."—(sig) EBQ. GUC sends O.R.S. for yearly endorsement. IKZ reports both ops ready to high-ball now. JKO and JCS are brothers. JIU dreams of c.e. JZD reports LTS new in Benton Harbor. LAL works with ELD on Boy Scout camp traffic. EGI signs HCC at

lake. KXT is after schedules again. KOX is over the scarlet fever. FTW says there were about 30 hams at camp, including IHN on 7 mc.

Traffic: W8DVC 233 QT 210 BTP 203 DWB 157 KOX 117 EGX 114 HFB 112 IFD 104 MV 100 GUC 99 FTW 93 LAL 54 IOR 50 GQS 49 HCC 33 ND 31 HA 28 IPX-JZD 25 HBZ 21 CPY 17 DED 16 IFQ 15 KXT 14 DCQ-DSQ 9 JCS-LFA 8 DYH 7 ARR 6 GRN-HFU-IFE 5 ALJ-IXM 3 FWG-FX-GHP-KYS 2 CM-ICM-IKZ-JIU 1. W9AAM 72 ADY 56 PCU 36 DDK 16 KDE 15 CEX 10 CE 8 FKH 30 RHM 6 OOO-OZM 4.

OHIO—SCM, Harry A. Tummonds, W8BAH—Chief RM W8VP, J. Clayton Nicholson, Cambridge, Ohio. Central Division Convention, Sept. 7th, 8th and 9th, Columbus; see you there. Write Percy D. Jones, 197 East 5th Ave., Columbus, for information. Cleveland amateurs will handle amateur radio at National Air Races, Aug. 31st to Sept. 4th inclusive. Lakewood Radio Club is sponsoring work. S.C.M. BAH will be in charge as in 1929. Dist. No. 7: VP's, R.M., new address: 706 N. 16th St., Cambridge. HMH's new antenna doesn't help valley location. Dist. No. 9: DUV, R.M., reports new hams, MFI and MDU. Dist. No. 5: CJG says two would-be-hams rode bicycles from East Liverpool to visit him. AQ worked Fiji Islands. KLP attended ham outing at Clinton, Pa. BMK is first Ohio O.R.S. to get job as life guard. FGV, R.M., handled long haul relay on 14 mc. Dist. No. 4: UW, R.M., has daily schedule with K6EWQ. IET has lots of schedules. WE reports KNM a visitor. AMF will be at Camp Knox during Aug. Dist. No. 8: R.M. PV. BKE is a newlywed. Congrats. DQC wants a job. BRQ uses 28-mc. 'phone, portable, every week-end. KYQ put up new antenna. Dist. No. 3: APC, Acting R.M. AEW gets all XPDC reports. LCY schedules IET, DVC, KWA, JTT, UW, LZK, IDG. JMV reports by radio. Dist. No. 2: BKM is cruising on U. S. S. Wilmington, N.C.R. EEZ, R.M., will cruise with N.C.R. with INX. ANU sends papers for O.R.S. EJ is rebuilding for N.C.R. schedules. Dist. No. 6: R.M. GSO. JTW is new O.P.S. DZO is moving to new location in Lancaster. EQC reports trunk line circuit: OM2AA, K6JPT, 6FWQ, 9GJQ, 8EQC, 2EZO, K4AAN. FB, OM! IZQ will be pounding brass at Camp Perry. Dist. No. 1: KZL sends first report. BRB does some FB 14-mc. 'phone work. CIO says, "A.A.R.S." FGC schedules HWT daily. RN is still on KFLN. HRA keeps baseball schedules with JCO, Detroit. Club meetings of Cleveland Heights meets every Wed. at FFK, 14522 Superior Road. All hams welcome! BON, R.M., was appointed in charge of operators for Air Race work. GGF reports for Y.M.C.A. Wireless Assn. at Ashtabula. Regular meetings every Wed. night. EJY has commercial ticket. DZV stays up in his plane this hot weather. LAC rewires. HVK spent week-end visiting CFO at Clarion, Pa. At annual election of officers of Y.M.C.A. Wireless Assn. LKY elected Pres., EJY Vice-Pres., GGF Secy.-Treas., LAC Activities Manager. Visitors always welcome! UW wins state honors and makes BPL. This report rounds out four years for S.C.M. BAH without a miss!!

Traffic: W8VP 82 HMH 4 EQB 14 DUV 4 AQ 18 FGV 9 UW 678 IET 110 WE 27 AMF 4 BKE-DQC 5 AEW 14 LCY 414 DIH 1 LZK 40 JMV 38 BKM 3 ANU 2 ISK 24 JTW 5 BBH 34 EQC 35 IZQ-GSO 3 BAH 4 KZL-BRB 1 CIO 30 FGC 4 HRA 8 FFK 6.

WISCONSIN—Acting SCM, Carl F. Thoms, W9LFK—Acting SCM's 9ATO and LFK. ATO has new rack. RKP handled traffic for astronomers. LRB works schedules from Y.M.C.A. camp. SDK is new Hancock station. JNU likes Collins antenna system. OXP qualified for O.R.S. KJR worked VK, ZL, CM, X, PY and VP. PQU is looking for schedules. NSM blew filter condensers. LFK's neighbor's d.c. fan causes QRNN from 1.7 to 30 mc. OUF moved to Burlington. GVL works Europe regularly on 14 mc. OUT has new antenna. PTE scheduled GTP of W.N.G. Camp Williams.

Traffic: W9ATO 154 IQW 54 RKP 57 LRB 50 PTE 49 SDK 31 JNU 28 OXP 26 KJR 22 ETM 24 PQU 17 NSM 16 OUT 8 GVL 3 LFK 12.

## DAKOTA DIVISION

**NORTH DAKOTA**—SCM, Fred J. Wells, W9JVP—KBE uses Goyder Lock. PGO joined C.C.C. JZJ works 14 and 3.5 mc. PDC has Powertone receiver. LHS is putting in Collins coupler. FVV will have 1.7-mc. 'phone. FSF has new Class "C." OEL has 50-watt in final. EHK is putting in high power. RPD has new power supply. PVA visited S.C.M. SAW uses '71s P.P. BTJ has new RK20. MZE is working on new 'phone. HJC ordered new RK20. AVT will be on 1.7-mc. 'phone. PRU reports by radio. AOX is getting ready for 3.5-mc. traffic. RQX has new M.O.P.A. DGS reports J.R.R.C. is being reorganized. New hams: SGN, RYU, SEQ. QRL work: OSN, PQW, JAR, EFN.

Traffic: W9KBE 73 PGO 21 JZJ 18 PDC 13 LHS 12 FVV 6 FSF 3 OEL 14 PQW 16 EHK 1 NAW 3 PVA 1 SAW 7 PRU 1 JVP 32 DGS 10 EFN 2.

**SOUTH DAKOTA**—SCM, Mike Strahon, W9PFI—IQZ reported by radio for Pierre gang. PFI has 212D. RWY and SEB are new Pierre hams. OXC moved to basement. GRJ got new ops ticket. CFU is putting up new Hertz. GYG is building new receiver. FLO went fishing. DGR is vacationing in Yellowstone Natl. Park. IQD is spending month in east. PHD is rebuilding. Ex9CKT reports ten Parkston hams active on 56 mc. TY reports SCB new YL ham at Vayland. SCB visited Black Hills and saw stratosphere balloon. SGI is new call in S.D. GPB moved to Sioux City. OED visited TY and SCB. Miller Radio Club organized with ten members. DNS will have RK20 final.

Traffic: W9IQZ 10 PFI 1.

**NORTHERN MINNESOTA**—SCM, Robert C. Harshberger, W9JIE—8GTM visited LAY for two weeks. FEP is putting in windmill battery charger.

Traffic: W9LAY 1 OMI 1 PUB 25 HNS 4 JIE 42 IPN 20.

**SOUTHERN MINNESOTA**—SCM, Francis C. Kramer, W9DEI—HCC finds traffic on 7 mc. DEI lost antenna by lightning. FCS will attend radio school. RHT is working for O.R.S. MOW is our first O.P.S. GNU has new super. PDL blew filter Friday the 13th. BTZ put in 800. RAB may get job in Bolivia. BN keeps four schedules. DH hopes to have 'phone on soon. AIR is home after operating on river. FYA is back to radio after trying commercial art. EGG's antenna blew down. MXW will be on with 500 watts. FIL is proud father of a baby YL. Congrats. PJU uses P.P. '45s final. JEQ is building 3.9-mc. 'phone. PEV heard a 28-mc. signal. GIE concentrates on 56 mc. FNK uses '03A final in portable. BTW worked seven Asiatic stations in month. DCM and MZN gave up their bachelor standings. FWN schedules N.G. camp. KDI attended N.G. camp. DMA worked lots of 14-mc. DX. OAK works in cannery. ELA worked all continents. ADQ uses 28-mc. 'phone. GXV of Hiawatha, Kans., is at hospital in Rochester. MOV is prospective O.R.S. PAS has flea-power 1.7-mc. 'phone. MMO coaches two new hams. RBW has new YL, and bug. Club News: Fairbault Club moved into new club rooms. St. Paul—Minneapolis clubs had lots of 56-mc. activities at their picnic. Rochester Club has big interest in 56-mc. The S.M.R.A. recently held a well-attended Field Day in Rochester.

Traffic: W9HCC 90 DEI 61 FCS 29 RHT 27 MOW 17 GNU 8 PDL 6 RKG-BTZ 4 BNN 3 RAB-GUX 2 BN 1.

## DELTA DIVISION

**ARKANSAS**—SCM, H. E. Velte, W5ABI—CPV has portable at Hot Springs. EEJ built shack. DVJ handled traffic for carnival. BED was chief op at DVJ during carnival. DRY and DRW handled carnival traffic. UI has '47-'47-'10 combination. DZE has c.e. rig with '10 final. LH moved to L.R. AQD is W.A.C. FB is back at Hazen. CJM enforces the law. QI is building c.e. rig. EIP is new O.R.S. VZ and AMQ operate for HQ Co. C.C.C. L.R. EIJ sends first report. EGY is new call of Ex-4AJJ. DFY will trade sax. for FBXA. CZG is confined to bed. DVI uses remote control. DHU took part in important message relay from coast to coast. DWL is

going to C.M.T.C. camp. ARX wants Ark. on top. DYX has FB 50-watt panel job. DTI has been in Scout Camp. DRR is Ex-BUX. DGO and DGD sold out. DJQ and BZK are on 3.9-mc. 'phone. DHG is on 28 mc. DHH is coming on c.e. DGU will be on from C.C.C. camp. CPV, FK, BED, and ABL paid the S.C.M. a visit. A Radio Club has been organized in Little Rock with BMI as president and DFY as secy.-treas. We are glad to note that with each issue of the Arkansas Bull., our reports are increasing. For your copy be sure to send in monthly reports.

Traffic: W5CVO 104 DVJ 671 BED 14 DRY 280 DRW 213 AQD 12 ABL 6 EIP 12 BMI 97 DVI 23 DHU 7 ARX 123 DTI 5 DUV 56 DRR 17 DHG 3 DSW 7.

**LOUISIANA**—SCM, W. J. Wilkinson, Jr., W5DWW—BYV will visit in Florida. DPM worked VK using '45s. BSM is active in Covington. EBZ is on 7256 and 7167 kes. CEK is located in Opelousas. DWF is building new c.w. rig. AMZ has Collins 32B. CIT is on 7192 kes. CJO is visiting on Gulf Coast. EDZ was at World's Fair. AEH has fine freq. meter. DIQ broke his crystal. DMF is building Tri-tet. DES is remodeling for 14-mc. 'phone. BPN is working on 1 KW job. ST likes rag-chewing. LA has rig for all bands. AOZ has antenna trouble. CXQ has rig in parlor. GR is installing c.e. EDY schedules 9KOA. BI is 100% c.w. man. JW likes SW3. DKR is working hard as R.M. AGM likes experimenting. EAI is on 1985-ke. 'phone. EHB: Welcome to our midst. OZ is on fruit boat. AVO is on a tanker. ACV is on freighter. IN is busy with music. DAW sends regards from XIBK. MH is on 3.5-mc. 'phone. EGV is Ex-6ETH. AXU is on 3.9- and 14-mc. 'phone. BZR will build Tri-tet. CMQ keeps traffic schedules. BPL installed temp. control. HR works 56 mc. with DXK. Last announcement—Louisiana State Convention—Shreveport—Sept. 1st-2d—Headquarters, New Inn Hotel. We can use some O.R.S., O.P.S., O.B.S., and O.O. Let the S.C.M. hear from you. DXL and EGK are new in Monroe. BID is in La.-Miss. 'Phone Net, A.A.R.S. AKW is op at KTBS. CTR took Class A exam. DLD ordered new receiver. CQF wants job as E.E. ZV is the YF at CQF. AQK will have new rig soon. NM and ACA are at sea. BMM steps out on 14 mc. AYA has Jr. op. MH and AKT are active in 'Phone Net. VT, BZR and AQK journeyed to N.O., July 4. Active: DYR, AYZ, CEN, CWX, AJJ.

Traffic: W5BYY 15 CEK 4 KC 10 DKR 7 MH 2 AXU 5 BZR 62 CMQ 42 BPL 4 HR 14 BID 23 CTR 7 DLD 4.

**MISSISSIPPI**—Acting SCM, W. P. Allen, W5VJ—CWQ visited 4PL for a week. DEJ was operated at Boy Scout Camp Binachi with pair of '01As with 270 volts B batts on plates. DDL is on with 59 e.c. GQ changed to 59's parallel in output. AKP is on in Booneville. EBF attends N.G. camp. DXG works 7-mc. DX. CUU is active on 3.9-mc. 'phone. (Most of this report furnished by 5CWQ.)

Traffic: W5DEJ 143 CWQ 119.

## HUDSON DIVISION

**EASTERN NEW YORK**—SCM, Robert E. Haight, W2LU—BZZ is organizing N.Y.S. Traffic Net. EGF FB total with FB skeds. LU is on 3630 kes. BJX reports for M-H.A.R.C. FQG is new O.R.S. KI schedules 1AMG, 1HAG and 2FDQ. GTC visited BZZ. BJA handled traffic for EZJ. Camp Smith. GRY operates EGE, White Plains. CC totals 800 schedules with VK5HG! UL is after Class A ticket. GGQ schedules CMI and BYL. FCT worked CTIGU with 4.08 watts input. ESO lost power equipment. GNI reports new Ossining ham, HFG. ACY is DX King of Schdt'y. CJS plans visit to A.R.R.L. ACA is on 14,332 kes. DC on 'phone, handled traffic from W1OXDA and LUSDR. DSH has 30 watts output. BLL spent vacation experimenting. FXC worked 39 foreigners in 22 days. HJN is new ham. GTW reports 8MFU, new call, Matamoras, Pa. GPB is using portable at Alton Bay, N. H. QY is on 56 mc. DTB captures W.A.C.! ACD is on 14 mc. DVS contacts Germany. BTQ does FB work at EZJ, Camp Smith. FPP contacts S.C.M. DYC and 8AW, Detroit,



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visited 2LU. GWY has RK-20 last stage. DDW contacts S.C.M. with club's new transmitter. BXH is new member, M-H.A.R.C. CVT, BCO, BNR, GFD, and DPN are active on 56 mc. COY is on active duty with NCR; trip to Cuba. DWO is working at N.B.C., Radio City. CGT uses pair '10s P.P. final. BWG moves to Kingston. BSH enjoys vacation in N. J. BPH's shack gets HOT (140 degrees)! CL works VK5HG using RK20.

Traffic: W2BZZ 575 EGF 384 LU 325 BJX 233 BLU 213 FQG 102 KI 108 GTC 80 BJA 73 GRY 24 CC 13 UL 8 ATM 6 GAR 5 GQG 3 FCT 4 ESO 3 GNI-ACY 2 CJS 3 ACA-DC 2 DSH 1.

NEW YORK CITY AND LONG ISLAND—SCM, E. L. Baunach, W2AZV—ELK BPLs for seventh month. EYQ is trying new antenna. DJP has c.e. rig built by DUP. PF will be on with 500 w. rig. GDF visited 9USA. GOW reports HFS on 14-mc. 'phone. EQL worked first VK. CSO has '52s F.A. FIP has second-class commercial ticket. ECL is building super. FDQ blew '66s. EGA uses single 27 in transmitter. AZV uses Tri-tet. DUP attends a machine shop class. EVA reports AKM gets into Conn. R9 on 1.7 mc. US is busy with RK20. DWW is on 56 mc. ALD moved to N. J. EAR will use portable on vacation. BTF rebuilding ready in fall. HBO sends first report. CHK finished 14-mc. rig; reactivated a W.E. 211E. CEH is improving rig. DBE is back in Babylon. EQA is in the market for a receiver. BEF is waiting to QSO an Asian for W.A.C. EWS landed job aboard ship. EKD is at Long Beach for summer. HFG is on 3580 kc. GOV will soon be on 3.9-mc. 'phone. The heat has BAS. CYA is now a resident of Washington, D. C. GZR is on 7 mc. GPR reports at end of school term at Stuyvesant H. S.; there were 15 licensed operators; CPP, ETG and EZS graduated. CBB has temporary Hartley rig going for 9USA traffic. AHC, AZS, DUA, DXO, EAR, GLJ, KI are all out for O.R.S. GEI thanks CAC for fine work in helping him get on the air. BHL is on 56- and 28-mc. 'phone. AA has a complete log of all commercial stations as he listens on 600 regularly. AAZ is back in silk business.

Traffic: W2ELK 593 EYQ 291 AYJ 195 GLJ 105 DJP 53 PF-GDF 27 GOW 39 EYS 20 EQL 17 CSO-EAF 16 FIP 15 ECL 19 FDQ 90 EGA 12 AZV 40 AEN 11 FF 10 DUP-EVA 5 DOG 2 DWW 1 BTF 3 HBO-CHK 2 AA 6 GZ 2 LB 12 ADW 8.

NORTHERN NEW JERSEY—SCM, J. B. Rideg, Jr., W2EKM—The new SCM wishes to thank all those who supported him in the election. BCX is new R.M. Following make BPL: LK with BCX opr. and EKM. The Bloomfield Radio Club is on 3.5 mc. with pair '52s. Meetings are held every Wednesday. GGW is experimenting on 7 mc. HFO is rebuilding c.e. rig on 14 mc. DEN worked his first foreigner, PY9AH. FRC is chief op aboard U.S.S. Tucker at Fort Hancock, with the Sea Scouts. TP and AOG are still buzzing on 14 mc. AFK, DLF, DVN are rebuilding. FOP is assistant director of Boy Scout Camp in Glens Falls. CLM is on 7 mc. daily for rag chews. BSC handles traffic from Steven's Engineering Camp, Johnsonburg, N. J. DEE and CIM are seen floating through space on highways looking for waterholes. CW keeps active on 7 mc. ECO reports new ham in Jersey City, HFZ. GPH is active on 56 mc. The West Essex Club is getting their transmitter ready. ENZ is opr. on a vessel going to South America. ECO and DCP request O.R.S. CTT is getting c.e. job on the air. CLM built midget transmitter, 4 x 4 x 5. Hi! FLT continues summer schedules. GGE is rebuilding to Tri-tet. BXM was on two weeks' training at Camp Dix. GCV rebuilt transmitter. CIZ's license expired. HDA reports for first time. HDU is new ham, using an '01A. ETC was heard in Germany. CKM expects to sail for Egypt. EDK holds code practice nightly 8 to 8:15 p.m. on 1.75 mc. GPA reports for active stations in his locality.

Traffic: W2EKM 2258 LK (BCX opr.) 772 CGG 74 GGW 46 DEN 11 JC 10 ENZ 479 ECO 60 DCP 27 CTT 21 CJX 18 CLM 7 FLT 4 GGE 7 BXM 1 GAS 25 HDU 2.

#### MIDWEST DIVISION

IOWA—SCM, Phil D. Boardman, W9LEZ—Chief R.M., 9ABE; R.M.'s: 9CWG, 9HCH, 9HPA, 9HMM. Iowa-Illinois Amateur Radio Club held successful hamfest at Burlington. The Section needs O.B.S. and O.O. in west and central part of state; those interested and qualified please write R.M. 9CWG. Don't forget the All-Iowa QSO party. RDK leads Section. NTW received Class A ticket. HCH visited Director Kerr. ABE summers on 7 mc. CWG hasn't missed a hamfest yet. LEZ has new s.s. super. FZO converted YL into OW. HMM was appointed O.B.S. NZW was on vacation. NDN bought new bug. RCR finds swapping not so hot. DFZ is adding pair of '52s. CYL conducted successful ground to plane test. LFF has good schedules. NEC would like some reliable schedules.

Traffic: W9RDK 55 NTW 45 HCH 44 ABE 41 CWG 29 LEZ 27 FZO 12 HMM 11 NZW 10 NDN 8 RCR 3 FYC 2 NEC 6.

KANSAS—SCM, O. J. Spetter, W9FLG—MUY has 825 final. IQI is preparing for N. G. camp. PB is getting N.C.R. net going. LUV plans on moving to Sanitarium at Morton. RIZ is new Agra ham. LGV uses Collins system. RQE and PB are active Hiawatha hams. GXV went to Rochester, Minn., for treatment. OQC visited in Colorado.

Traffic: W9MUY 50 IQI 23 PB 15 COA 11.

MISSOURI—SCM, C. R. Cannady, W9EYG—JWI and MZD get State Net under way—want more men on it. MZD is trying to get CJR, HUG, AIJ, ENF, NNZ and ASV to join State Net. OLC worked all ZL districts one A.M. NNZ gets new Silver 5B s.s. DIC was visited by NNZ; visited SGP. MLR is only ham left at Boonville during summer. DHN is on 28 mc. ARH changed QRA back to Milan. AAN changed QRA to Richland. HNM is back at Browning on portable. IAC is rebuilding. CGA is consistent on 14-mc. 'phone. PBZ got new SW-3. MND lost antenna. OUW moved to 3.5-mc. c.w. NIS is scoutmaster. JXJ built regenerative type s.s. super. BLV has new c.e. rig. BWX stays active on 3.5 mc. LCG put in hi-voltage supply and antenna impedance matching system. An FB Hamfest at Marceline, July 4th, with 22 present, including: KG, FHV, AIJ, JBV, JBZ, X9JTH, LBA, RTG, DIC, KOI, KCG, NNZ, etc. This is an annual affair and grows larger each year!

Traffic: W9JWI 2269 MZD 257 OLC 44 CRM 43 LLW 42 NNZ 40 AIJ 38 JPA 4 LBB 8 BMA 6 DPJ 14 DIC 11 MLR 2 RPC 6 DHN 3 HVC 1 KEF-ARH-KVN 2 HUG 4 AAN 7 IJW 11 JAP 5.

NEBRASKA—SCM, S. C. Wallace, W9FAM—FWW is doing FB traffic work. DI took cruise on Great Lakes. FAM is on 3.5 mc. Sunday mornings only. FXP's business is rushing. JED expects to move to Wayne, Nebr. DGL is still DXing.

Traffic: W9FWW 224 DI 3 FAM 2 OPP 1 KVZ 56 RUJ 118 DLK 30 DHO 1.

#### NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

CONNECTICUT—SCM, Frederick Ells, Jr., W1CTI—MK is only station to make BPL. DOW hangs on to the banner. UE took a week's vacation. CVL is active in A.A.R.S. GC has been on 56 mc. GKM has some new schedules. AMG's shack is an oven these hot days. BDI is working with an RK20. CJD reports by radio traffic handled with portable. HLE was on island two weeks, depending on portable for communications. EWD reports new ham, 1DX. ATW visited HQ's. TD gets good reports. 56 mc. shows big increase at BNP. CBA continues meeting every Thursday evening. Recent visitors at the club were: 8MBI and the New Canaan Amateur Radio Club, FLA. BIC is new O.P.S. EFW at FEF worked Hdq. in N. H. May 27th . . . 100 mile 56 mc. record. Get in touch with CJD or CTI if interested in Conn. Traffic Net.

Traffic: W1MK 483 DOW 332 UE 107 CVL 95 GC 76 GKM 51 HAG 26 AMG 158 GGX 18 BDI CJD 15 GME-QV 13 HLE 12 HSU 5 DGG 6 CTI 3 EWD 2 DFT 49 HTH 4 ATW 6.

MAINE—SCM, John W. Singleton, W1CDX—BTG uses 1.7-mc. 'phone. CDX is DXing on 14 mc. GKC has new Colpitts rig. DHH's antenna was hit by lightning. EBY is traffic manager of "73" Radio Club. AQW is QRL Bates. HUX is building e.e. rig. IDN has lots of fun with 56-mc. rig. ALO is active on 56 mc. HXO has a Harvey transceiver. IFT is new Wilton ham. FXA is new O.R.S. FJP blew bunch of good apparatus. IAF and IBM are new Augusta hams. GBM and EBM are running a concession at Skowhegan, Bangor and Lewiston Fairs.

Traffic: W1BTG 59 GOJ 17 CDX 41 GKC 12 CBU-DHH 11 BNC 4 EBY 7 AQW-IBM-HUX-IDN 1.

EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS—SCM, Joseph A. Mullen, W1AB1—ASI and CNA are on 56 mc. with portables. ABG and BZQ are on 56 and 3.5 mc. KH claims first legal QSO between moving auto and plane. EVJ is QRL orchestra work. BMW is QRL summertime business. RE works on 1.7 mc. Hot weather doesn't bother FRO's traffic total. GCL reports heavy damage to outfit from lightning. ZK is QRL Signal Unit at Fort Devens. DOF reports heavy damage to power supply. BR is O.P.S. Nr. 13. HKY is building Tri-tet. AZF is DXing. FPO will be our next O.R.S. ACD works portable at Lonesome Lake, N. H. IDU just got ticket. CEL works 56-mc. schedule with DBM. AC is "movie op." JI is brass pounding in China. AAX will have RK18 final. BUR works DX. BCM is QRL RK 20. CZP plays with low power. CMH and HNI use M.O.P.A. on 3.5 mc. DZL and DND formed partnership. DDO is eating fruit instead of c.w. Hi. EKH has '03A rig. GEJ is fooling with TNT '10 on 7 mc. FKX and UI are on 56 mc.

Traffic: W1ABG 37 KH 67 EVJ 24 BMW 1 RE 3 BZO 4 FRO 145 CRA 27 HKY 1 BZQ 24 FPO 35 ACD 9 CEL 72.

WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS—SCM, Percy C. Noble, W1BVR—Thanks, gang. Will do my best. ASY (the former SCM) wishes to thank all those who assisted him during 1933-34. EFM has new Silver 5B super. GHU blew power pack. New equipment: BNL—and RK 20; COI—59 Tri-tet; DVW—SW3. ZB is experimenting on 28 mc. AJD had schedule with Fort Devens. FNY lost antenna and chimney in storm. BVR maintains A.A.R.S. schedules daily. *Please note:* monthly reports are expected from every O.R.S., O.P.S., R.M., O.B.S., and O.O. Failure to do this will mean cancellation of appointment. In cases where interest no longer exists, send in your appointment, out of fairness to the rest of the gang. Let's go, boys!

Traffic: W1BVR 207 EAX-EFM 16 GHU 11 ARH-AWW 9 GUO 6 BNL-DVZ 4 COI-DVW-ZB 2 AJD-DDK 1.

NEW HAMPSHIRE—SCM, Basil Cutting, W1APK—The SCM visited FUR, owned by Prof. Pickard; he has a wonderful outfit at Seabrook Beach. BAB is getting active again. AGO has dynamic mike. HQE is going to camp with a 19 transceiver. HTO has new rack. GHT is good traffic station. The Jinx around FFZ has departed. HJI is climbing local hills for 56 mc. UN handles most consistent traffic of any N. H. station. CUN was heard in Russia on 3.5 mc. and received his W.A.C. GEY has Class A license. Summer business keeps FCI busy. DMD is busy with N.C.R. AUY had some fun with QK's oscilloscope. AXL is on 1.7-mc. 'phone. ERQ did not join Navy as reported. 2EOY bt-1 is on 1.7 mc. in Bradford, N. H. GKE works in transformer factory. ANS and IDY are new O.P.S. The SCM is on 1807-ke. 'phone. FFL sends last-minute report.

Traffic: W1UN 148 ERQ 63 FFZ 124 HJI 6 GHT 53 APK 9 GEY 2.

RHODE ISLAND—SCM, Albert J. King, W1QR—GNT reports ducks doing FB. CPV has '52 final. ASZ was hurt in auto accident. GOG has portable at Sheldonville. HRC has been assigned W1GK in A.A.R.S. CAB is rebuilding. FAA moved to Pittsfield. IEG is GTN's offspring.

Traffic: W1CAB 68 CPV 55 HRC 32 GOG 22 ASZ-QR 10.

VERMONT—SCM, Harry Page, W1ATF—ATF received visits from BD and BJP. GAE is arranging schedules with Hudson Valley amateurs. GXP (Derby Line) reports for first time. GNF applies for O.R.S. FPS has new Ford VS. Friday, July 13th, lightning struck and demolished CGV's 65-ft. tower on Hook Mt.; he won a 6000-volt transmitting condenser at Perth Amboy, N. J., Hamfest on June 16th. EMQ, Acting Secy. of Twin State Radio Club, reports 20 members active, a club building completed, and a 500-watt transmitter ready for action. EMQ, IDQ, DEZ, and AAK represented the club at Kennebunk Hamfest. DEZ won a first-class meter.

Traffic: W1GNF 23 GAE 11 GXP 5 ATF 3.

#### NORTHWESTERN DIVISION

ALASKA—SCM, Richard J. Fox, K7QP—ENA, ENP and ENZ: new hams at Ketchikan. DGR complains that high frequency gets erratic at 35 to 75 below zero. CAN reports 14 mc. excellent for east coast work. BNW reports visit from W7CPI. DJA has new steel transmitter frame. EBR is QRL commercial work. CF craves a 3.9-mc. 'phone crystal. AOC puts out a wicked signal on 3549 kc. PQ schedules W1CVF bt 7 at Lake Crillon daily. BEU is on the air from Guard Island Light.

Traffic: K7CKK 112 PQ 78 CHP 50 EBR 25 CAN 14 VH 13 DJA 12 BNW 10.

IDAHO—SCM, Don Oberbillig, W7AVP—BDX sends FB report from Northern Idaho. Thanks, Doug. DCG has been working DX. EKX has new Gross transmitter. EKV is building portable. AQK is vacationing in hills. BLW is visiting in Kansas. CLY is QRL blister rust work. BQF has lots of service work. BKK has new PR10. DBP attended hamfest at Spokane with DKY. DDU's new QRA: Caldwell. CMD is on 3.9-mc. 'phone. CGR has rebuilding bug. BAA is boosting hamfest at Jenny Lake. BMF is grinding crystals. DSL is at C.C.C. station. BRU and ASA are new O.R.S. NH says it's warm in Twin Falls. AAJ visited S.C.M. DAY is traveling with AAJ. DCM dropped in to see boys in Boise. BAR bought new home. DAW wishes QST would suspend for year so he could catch up on his building. Hi. CZO goes BCL with new car receiver. CSP is talking fishing trips. KI and DMT are busy at N. G. Armory in Caldwell. ACP sold his Ford. CP and EES are rebuilding K1D0 to 2½ KW. CKO is going on vacation with portable. ABK gets lots of QSL cards. DZO and AVP have "hot" QSOs. ATN is staying home nights and "hamming." BCU wants new receiver. CG is QRL maps. EFR needs a W2 for all U. S. contacts. EMT has rig built on glass subpanel.

Traffic: W7AVP 169 NH 35 BAA 18 BMF 12 BRU 5 DBP 4 DAW 2.

MONTANA—SCM, O. W. Viers, W7AAT—Anaconda: EIB, EIH, EJJ and EOX: new hams. AHU is now e.e. CUK and DST are QRL. C.C.C. Anaconda Amateur Radio Club has applied for station license. AFU and EET work ZL and VK. Missoula: CCR is on Breakfast Club. CNE favors 56 mc. BVI's O3As take 2000 volts. ASB has bias trouble. BZA schedules EAQ who left for L.A. AQN has new Ford V-8. CIX, 6APM, 7BZA, ASB and CNE are victims of YL-itis. CRU is U.S.F.S. Radio Supervisor, Missoula Radio Operators Club: CRU Pres., CNE Vice-Pres., AOD Secy.-Treas. CRH of Somers is operating WUBL. C.C.C. station at Fort Missoula. BGM, AQN, 6APM also operate WUBL. AOD schedules 6ZG/WLV Monday PMs. BGM has new first-class radio-telephone license. DHW says DX is FB. ASQ and EEH are rebuilding. FL has gone to Seattle to begin a cruise with N.C.R. FVE, now at Fort Peck, applied for O.R.S. endorsement. BYR plans to go to school in Calif. AAT/COX are now permanently located at Missoula. Please send reports to the S.C.M. at 211 Stevens St., Missoula.

Traffic: W7CCR-AAT 6 CRH 11 FL 4 AOD 19 EET 20.

OREGON—SCM, Ray Cummins, W7ABZ—DAV is now A.A.R.S. ANV applies for O.P.S. CHB is vacationing at Seaside. DHZ has hard luck with 56 mc. DKI is with EJJ at C.C.C. camp. CIK's new e.e. rig sure works

the DX. BHV returned from Notre Dame. DBZ built 4-tube super. RE returns to air after long absence. DYK has new Collins transmitter. WL has new antenna poles. BUF schedules ZL's on 'phone. AYV will soon have kw going. BUB is in Medford C.C.C. camp. BMN is rebuilding 14-mc. 'phone. BWD is vacationing in Calif. EJO owns drugstore in Portland. CBD contacts ZL's and VK's with ease with new rig. AIG is rebuilding. DNP is vacationing. MF is now WLVO. A.S.N.C., A.A.R.S. DDG is new O.P.S. ABZ has gone 'phone for good. Oregon welcomes a new S.C.M. in W7AMF, Frank Black, and all reports are to be sent to him. I have fully enjoyed serving the amateurs of this great state of Oregon, and will miss the friendly contacts that one gets in the S.C.M.'s office. 73—W7ABZ.

Traffic: W7DAV 1 DP 13 WR 30 DHZ-DKI 1 EJY 8 CIK 78 BHV 1 WL 6 AYV 52 BUB 45 BMN 7 EJO 22 CBD 12 COU 34 MF 141.

WASHINGTON—SCM, Stanley J. Belliveau, W7AYO—APS says mostly ragchewing this month. RL has good schedules. Forty mfd. of 3000-volt cond. in AVM's power supply. ECX is troubled with power line noise. BBK reports gang around Ritzville had swell picnic at Sprage Lake. New junior op. at QI.—Congrats. AEA is back in traffic swim. CQI is 100% c.w. DET plans to take portable to college. AWJ gets out well. DRK took Class "A" exam. CZY has been in Hawaii. IG is berry picking in Puyallup. DRY has nice schedule line-up. AZI is going on N.C.R. cruise to W6. BBB handles lot of K7 traffic. LD was away from home this month. DZX is going back to Anacortes. ACS (ex-SCM) has been doing research work on 56 mc. BRT is new reporter. DGX has been visiting hams in Northwest. CPK schedules K7AOA daily. AW has nice sounding 'phone. CAM works out nicely with 'phone. AGP is playing with 56 mc. APR reports for first time in ages. BUW is working hard on ranch. ALH is moving to Yakima.

Traffic: W7QI 289 BBB 249 CQI 183 CPK 112 DRD 86 DRY 84 DJJ 37 DET 34 APS 27 CAM 17 AW 16 DGX 15 AGP-BBY-AEA 12 AWJ-RL-BBK 10 BRT 8 AZI 5 ECX-DRK-CZY-AQ 4 BUX 3 AVM-DZX-AUP 2 NZ-APR 1 BUW 12 WY 9 ALH 41.

#### PACIFIC DIVISION

HAWAII—SCM, A. O. Adams, K6EWQ—BAZ schedules 9USA on 14-mc. 'phone. YAL schedules VE5ER on 3.5-mc. 'phone. CIB and VG are rebuilding. BFI/ECN is doing nice work with new rig. CRT left for Coast. HOO expects his orders any day. GUA says, "nothing like P.P. '60s." HLP finally mastered "bug-sending." FJF is new O.P.S. JFV finds it hard to work with one arm. CRU claims to have the worst location in the Islands. FAB keeps several schedules. Welcome to our Isles, IID.

Traffic: K6EWQ 3286 GUA 333 KKA 282 FAB 183 KTF 124 GZI 102 JPT 75 COG 57 FJF-HOO 20 CGK 15 CRU 12 JFV 13 EDH 5.

LOS ANGELES—SCM, Howell C. Brown, W6BPU—This report prepared by Edward P. Strophe, W6AUB. AZU handles transpacific traffic exclusively. IIK hears 8's, 7's and 6's on 28 mc. ERT is working 56 mc. ETJ schedules WVQB, Schofield Barracks, T.H. AUB is op at BPU for summer. JDZ is at Boy Scout camp. IUL handles traffic from Scout camp. IOX needs Africa for W.A.C. AM uses directional antennas. HDV has PR10 with pre-selector. DEP passed Class A. FGT is installing U.S.N.R. station in City Hall. EQW was at Lake Arrowhead for July. EK is Alt. D.N.C.S. 10th Calif. A.A.R.S. EUV is working 56 mc. IHA has new rig. JWL has 830 in final. LY is oping on 28 mc. ANN worked G2KK, but thinks it's a fake. FVD reports by long distance 'phone. BPM thinks traffic on 'phone FB. CVV was QSO G6HP on 28 mc. PD had an hour QSO three-way: FXL, PD, VK3KX. 5CON paid IDW a visit. KEY is going 50-watt. ON says Collins antenna network FB. CUH/QD "WAC" R9 and "WAC" 4½ hrs. July 14th. IFC says KWZ is new ham there. KJE's brother got call KZI. BVZ is back from fine vacation. BQF says bad power leaks take joy out of life. HPE uses pair of tens. CV

has new Le Bell rack. DZI says shield can business slow. BGF has new rig on way. ZBJ is QRL Y.M.C.A. camp. CYS got 85 in commercial telegraph second. FET is playing tennis to reduce.

Traffic: W6ETL 1047 AZU 891 IIK 502 BMC 433 EDW 336 HZT 289 ERT 273 ETJ 216 BPU 160 EBK 150 JDZ 134 IDZ 118 IUL 102 GNM 95 IOX 78 AM-FLC 69 BZF 66 HDV 60 CGE 57 DEP 44 KBY 43 FGT 37 HJW 36 DJS-HDC-AKW 32 HID-EQW 30 FYW-GEX 27 JQS 26 KNP 24 DNA 22 EK 19 EUV-IHA 18 HFG 16 GLZ-JWL 15 JSK-JWY 14 KRI-FXF 12 KCG 11 FUS-KEI 9 LY-EGJ 8 GTE-JFS 7 IBS-GSL-ANN 6 FVD-TN-BPM-IDU 5 KBF-CVV-FJK-DYQ-AGF 4 JXZ-IVT-JEV-PD-IDW-KEY-IVU 3 GVI-IRD-HHG-ON-BOB-CUH/QD-AMF-IFC-KJE 2 HRO-JBC-IRT-DZR-BVZ-BQF-GJA-VO 1.

SANTA CLARA VALLEY—Acting SCM, Barton A. Wood, W6DBB—DBB put up single-wire fed hertz. HCQ schedules L.A. and San Jose. IED worked all continents with a '10. CUZ worked G, ON, FS, D4, PA, OA during last month. BMW is fighting forest fires. GBI uses unity-coupled rig. FYD has c.c. transmitter. HZW is rebuilding to higher power. HJF has '03A final. 56-mc. activity is exciting considerable interest. JDV has made two-way contacts with BPL, CEO, DUW, DZE, EEX, FZF, HC, KPR; heard HBB and was heard by AOF. Successful communication between San Jose and Mt. Hamilton was also accomplished.

Traffic: W6DBB 49 HCQ 3S IED 26 CUZ 16 BMW 14 JUQ 1.

EAST BAY—SCM, P. W. Dann, W6ZX—RJ got emergency equipment ready for strike area. EJA is handling P.I. traffic. ZX contacts east coast and 91SG nightly. HWB of Richmond reported. DHS was called to active duty with C.N.G. FS had FB time at A.A.R.S. Hamfest at Yosemite. HRN gives the S.C.M. following dope: HRG is on 14 mc. IEW is on 14-mc. 'phone. FKQ's 50-watt went flat. ATJ is going to L.A. on vacation. FJQ has plenty of grief. GXM, star traffic hound from L.A., was visitor at S.C.M.'s, as well as COJ from Hughson. AHI is just home from Orient. GXQ is going to work again! CHI of Palm Springs is on in Oakland. HRT is going to get Class A soon. BLQ is on 1.7-mc. 'phone. Gordon Anderson (Call please, OM) reports FB reception at Yosemite. KNO says IGA and AOJ visited him. KNO and HHM are new O.R.S. CTX spent a week or so with the mer(e)maids around Catalina. Hi! CI, a real O.T., is on the air again. GHD has turned to 'phone on 1.7 mc. ITH is busy on Bay Bridge.

Traffic: W6RJ 240 EJA 113 CIZ 52 ZX 34 HWB 12 DHS 7 FS 16 AHI 2 HRN 6.

SAN FRANCISCO—Acting SCM, Art Holmes, W6JAL—S.C.M. is working out of town. Summer hasn't slowed up ZG! RH is coasting with five schedules. HRY almost catches RH. FVJ and CIS keep two schedules. DDO helped National Guard. HSA is worried about note. JPA quit skeds for summer. KNQ is new traffic man. Our greatest sympathy and regret to 6JMR in loss of his father. JNI is Unit Control in Petaluma. HZP has new '66s. BNA is recovering from operation. JQV is expecting fifty. JDG has one schedule. JZJ is U.S.N.R. man in Inverness. CAL worked four districts on 28 mc! JQZ is working again. KBM is active again.

Traffic: W6ZG 1754 RH 117 HRY 108 FVJ 74 DDO 45 CIS 34 HSA 27 JPA 22 JAL 19 KNQ-JMR 18 JNI 17 HZP 16 BNA 15 JQV-JDG 14 JZJ 4 CAL-KBM 3 JQZ 2.

SACRAMENTO VALLEY—SCM, George L. Woodington, W6DVE—DVE used portable rig on vacation. CMA sent good report on A.A.R.S. activities. CXB, CBZ and KKL are on 1.7-mc. 'phone. KME is new call. IMJ is going to Tri-tet. KCA is c.c. IMV builds transformers. EOU is going to N. G. camp. GDB is N. G. station. GVM is going to C.C.C. camp. KBK is pounding brass for commercials. GAC is doing fine in his new store in Georgetown.

Traffic: W6EWB 55 GAC 29 CGJ 12 IZE 8 DVE 4 KCA 3 GZY 1.

ARIZONA—SCM, Erneso Mendoza, W6BJF-QC—

ALU is preparing for Flagstaff N. G. encampment. IIG worked his first Cuban. QC reports from Camp Mocar at Parker. KOL is on 3.5 mc. with '45-'46 MOPA. FIP says Army will furnish him Comet pro! HCX is trying Collins coupling. ISO uses Goyder lock system. KSE is new Phoenix ham. IOG is rebuilding to c.c. IJR needs only Africa for W.A.C. FOH is in Miami. CQF has 12-watt 'phone on 14 mc. ABY has new RK20. FGG is vacationing on Pacific coast. BQW took Class A exam. JJO is joining Navy. GDF has schedules for federal transient camps: EL, HKX, ANO, KIJ, AEK, IQY has c.c. P.P. '10 final. IZU has new super. GGS and BLP had all-night session with Budlong of HQ's at recent Federation of So. Calif. meeting. KRU is new Tucson ham. DCQ is completing new rig. FZQ is on 7294 kc. GYM has c.c. outfit. JYQ is rebuilding to c.c. P.P. 211 job. KIR (ex-5ZZB-6ZZBC) may soon sign as an X in Mexico. DPS was home for visit from L.A. radio school. KOK reaches back east with '45s. IMR is on 14 mc. AND received worked card from Belgium. GZU and EFC are on 14-mc. 'phone. FEA has three complete '52 rigs. EAW is on 1.75 mc. BRI had her face lifted gratis—by old Sol! GBN is overhauling receiver and generator's gas engine. BFA schedules Army portable QC for traffic to Major's wife. HAX had GGS and BLP for visitors. GFK is strictly portable. JHF stays on 7 mc. exclusively. KBJ ordered new Westinghouse cabinet. CEC and BVN are about to return to the air, at Sunnymead, Calif. Club meetings at Phoenix are every other Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., M.S.T., at C. of C. Bldg. More O.R.S. and O.P.S. are wanted. Let's have more applications!

Traffic: W6ALU 900 IIG 74 QC 44 KOL 7 FIP 5 HCX-ISO 4.

PHILIPPINES—SCM, Newton E. Thompson, KA1XA—P.A.R.A. meeting was held at KA1JR, June 24th.

Traffic: KA1HR 1641 NA 642 EE 522 CM 327 AN 239 LG 223 RC 175 CS 161 SX 100 FS 96 XA 60 JR 12. KA4GR 28. KA9WX 28. OM2AA 372.

SAN DIEGO—SCM, Harry A. Ambler, W6EOP—FWJ handled considerable Asiatic traffic through K6EWQ via 6AZU. BHF schedules portable at Y.M.C.A. camp. FQU has new c.c. rig. EFK is southern terminus for trunk line F. KBD is rebuilding to 860 final. BOW schedules EZD in Utah. IBK and LD are rebuilding 'phones. CNK is looking for new receiver. GTM worked F and VO. FKT reports Fallbrook Radio Club active. BAS had SW3 stolen. AKY had SW3 and transmitter stolen. HQM worked VO. BAM says 14-mc. DX is good. DNW returned from camping trip.

Traffic: W6FWJ 1229 BHF 152 FQU 94 EFK 47 KBD 21 BOW 19 IBK 13 AXN 12 CNK 6 GTM 3 FKT 2.

SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY—SCM, G. H. Lavender, W6DZN—AAV ops at Fresno C.C.C. camp. GXL is building portable. KEV is building s.s. super. BXB worked a VK. GEG is heard again. JIN is in S. F. strike area with N. G. FFP is in race for S.C.M. COJ has new rig. DQR is on sea with U.S.N.R. SF keeps busy shooting trouble for hams. IKG was elected secretary of Stockton Radio Club. KGO went to sleep during a QSO. GJJ works in lumber camp. FV and CQI work 'phone. HIP can't tune his feeders. HLJ is on 3.5 mc. DXL, after five years of rebuilding, is still at it. In 1919 DZN was QSO QL; the last QSO was July, 1934, making 15 years between contacts. BHQ is working trans-Pacific schedules. CVT puts out a sweet signal. CVL had to move rig out of house. During labor strike Manteca Radio Club was ready to go with portable in case power was shut off. Better start making plans for convention in Fresno in November.

Traffic: W6DZN 49 EXH 24 KEV 6.

#### ROANOKE DIVISION

NORTH CAROLINA—SCM, G. H. Wright, Jr., W4AVT—Next meeting of Central Carolina R.C. will be held at Winston-Salem, Sunday, Sept. 2nd; all hams cordially invited! MR reports plenty of 28-mc. activity. MR and AH-ET received W.A.C.'s. CJP operates portable at Boy Scout Camp. CCH and BQZ have new receivers. CFL and CAY are off due to storm. First traffic

report from CVU. AHH is building 3.9-mc. 'phone. CVU is building new 1.7-mc. 'phone. CYY is building new c.w. transmitter. BLN is adding '03A amplifier. CXK and CXS are building new c.c. transmitters. CPA is building new rig. BRT worked HC1PZ. NC worked hard during O.R.S. Contest. BDE and BX visited 9USA. PA is married. Congrats. New O.R.S.: BV and BRT. AEH is working for O.R.S.

Traffic: W4BRK 21 CJP 12 AEH-BRT 8 CVU 7 NC 6 BV-CCF-COK 4 BVD-BWE-OG 3 CCH-BYA-IY-CXF-CXJ 2 CYA-BLN-CXC 1.

VIRGINIA—SCM, R. N. Eubank, W3AAJ—ANT schedules K5AA daily, K5AF Tues. and Fri. BZE has Third-Class Phone ticket. DQB is c.c., '47-'46. BTR and BSB are on 14 mc. ECQ has '47 c.c. DBI is Petersburg S.W. Club. CKM is on 3.5 mc. EGD is building c.c. rig. EHL uses '47. ENO is QRL summer school. MQ is building 56-mc. rig. BAG has Tri-tet. EPK is on 3785 kcs. DZW is building s.s. super. BYA is WLQJ. DCU schedules BYA and CYK. CSI schedules BYA. BAN helps 'em get in band. BIW has new RK20 rig. APU is building 1.7-mc. 'phone. EPS reports for first time. CYK operates 3.9-mc. 'phone. AMB is QRL Scout Camp. EBK has power supply trouble. FJ will have rigs at N.G. Camp, Va. Beach. BEB uses 1.7-mc. 'phone 75% of the time. BIG is on 3995 kcs. 'phone. AAF and BAD visited World's Fair. EBD schedules AMB and EBK. CFV is off air due to lightning. AOT is in Indiana. BDZ, AEI, AIJ and FE are rebuilding. BRA was QRL Y.M.C.A. Camp. BZA has 56-mc. rig. EOQ, our R.I., sends first monthly report. CXM is still in Walter Reed Hospital. GY is Kingfish O.P.S. DDA is QRL duty with U.S. Fleet. CIJ is interested in directional antenna. CA is doing FB work for convention. BZ is very active on 28 mc. DEH has First-Class Tel. ticket. BPI worked on hamfest. BGS is on Sundays. ASK is exp. with Class A Prime. EAI has new Ford. CQW will be on 1.7-mc. 'phone soon. COO has Patterson PR-10. AFT, Major Hawthorne, is now Comm. Officer U.S.M.C., Wash'n. ELJ has new transmitter. BRD is interested in 28 mc. DDG is on 1890 kcs. 'phone 100%. EEN was on long trip for U.S.N.R. Make plans for Roanoke Div. Convention, Roanoke, Oct. 5th-6th. Good program planned. Write 3CA. Danville Club pulled swell hamfest for Va.-N.C. Floating Clubs, July 15th. 28-mc. stations or higher, please advise 3AAJ. 3BWT and Virginia A.A.R.S. Net operate on schedule daily at 7 p.m.

Traffic: W3ANT 200 BZE 20 DQB 18 BTR 1 ECQ 13 DBI 7 CKM-EGD 4 EHL 3 AAJ 6 ENO 3 MQ 2 BAG-EPK-DZW 1 BYA 145 DCU 11 CSI 9 BRY 7 BAN-BIW-CPN 3 APU-DWE 2 EPS-CYK-ELA 1 AMB-EBK 35 FJ 33 BEB 30 BIG 3 AAF-BSB 1 EBD 24 CFV 2 BKJ 1 DDG 19.

WEST VIRGINIA—SCM, C. S. Hoffmann, Jr., W8HD—EIK-WLHG has honor of being temporary Alternate Army N.C.S. Ed. Day of WLM spent vacation with EIK. DPO's W.A.C. certificate arrived! A baby girl arrived at home of HD/WLHF, S.C.M., June 27th. FQB desires to join A.A.R.S. HWT is new O.R.S. ELJ was on vacation in Virginia. OK-EL and LJX reported going to N.G. Camp. JRL uses 600 watts. CVX and Ex-GDF married. Congrats! KKG installed Tri-tet. CMJ's O.R.S. was endorsed for another year. ESQ and GAD are trying to get GBF on again. KXC, KWL, KWU and KWV are heard on 3.5 mc. HSA has YL-itis! Mountaineer Amateur Radio Assn. (Fairmont) elected following officers: JEL, Pres.; KGT, V. Pres.; KVV, Secy.; ESQ, Treas.; JM, Activity Mgr. JWL celebrated his first year as a ham on July 1st! Both ops at TI are going to summer school. JWL and CVK are heard on 1.7-mc. 'phone. AMX is operating "WPPF." BDD is building 1.75-mc. 'phone. LSJ and LSK are combining rigs on 1.75-mc. 'phone. GB is on 3.9-mc. 'phone. EYV is new O.P.S. AHF is Phone R.M. for W. Va., and is trying to organize a 'Phone Net. He would appreciate hearing from all 'phone hams. Following from W. Va. attended Convention in Pittsburgh, during June: AMX and YF, BOW, BTV, CMJ, EP, GBF, HD, Reger of ILY, JM, JWL, LBE.

Traffic: W8EIK/WLHG 557 HD/WLHF 5 FQB 2



HWT 29 JRL 1 KKG 97 JM 4 KVV-BDP 2 KWL 5  
BDD 141 LSJ 3.

#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION

UTAH-WYOMING—SCM, Arty W. Clark, W6GQC-IDM—Utah: 6HVU built 28-mc. rig. JYD and KDI keep schedules. KOP built Collins coupler. GQR filled vacancy to Ft. Douglas Radio VVX when FAE left. BTX is one of the "savages" at Yellowstone Park. DGR left for N.C.R. cruise. IAL built portable receiver. KFW took portable on trip to canyon. ZZBI went to World's Fair. Wyoming: 7COV is back from Princeton. EKR gets results from low power. ARK and CRP appeared on opening program at KWYO, Sheridan. EMQ is new Rock Springs station on 1.75-mc. 'phone. BJS is first O.P.S. in Section. DIE is crashing ether. COH is fixing "bus" for vacation trip. CSE says, "Too much fishing." We regret to announce the death of 6JXU, Earl N. Richins of Henefer, Utah. His brother amateurs will miss him greatly.

Traffic: W6FRN 377 GQC 343 BSE 166 KDI 74  
BTX 57 HVU 18 AFN 5 JYD-KKM 2. W7COH 63 CSE-DIE 7 BS 2.

COLORADO—SCM, T. R. Becker, W9BTO—PWU is rebuilding 'phone. GJQ is moving out of state. IFD schedules VK. NIT built a Tri-tet. EGY is on with new c.c. rig. EHC is using Tri-tet. FXQ is now at Craigmoor. DNP handled a mess of D.A.V. convention traffic; P.P.A.R.A. furnished him some operators, including KI, DYP, KNZ, LJF and AMS. PRF has an RK20. JRV is at boys camp. PGS blew his '10. HIR is on 'phone. SAX is new ham. IPH has elaborate frequency measuring set-up. BYK changed Q.R.A. LYE is in Texas. BYY is building condenser mike. KGR is vacationing in east. FYY and HRI are building Tri-tet. JGA is back in Denver. ESA is enjoying vacation. FA has his QRA with APR. EMU is on vacation. AAB is QRL photography. JB helps keep KGPX on the air. BTO goes fishing. JNV is back from Navy cruise. BJN is in the crystal business.

Traffic: W9PGS 2 PWU 5 GJQ 1203 EGY 4.

#### SOUTHEASTERN DIVISION

ALABAMA—SCM, L. D. Elwell, W4KP—SN worked a VK on 14-mc. 'phone. BJA made good total in Ala. QSO Party. DS, Chief R.M., is QRL A.A.R.C. RS and BZG are rebuilding. HO moved back to B'ham. ANT is starting on c.w. soon. GL, R.M., reports the Mobile gang rebuilding; i.e.—BXV, CRF, CQM, CQV, GL, OA, and CBI. COU passed 1st class radio-tel. exam. CIQ is being moved to new club room of M.A.R.C. CUE, station of B'ham Club, is new O.B.S. APU is serving third term as club president. BOU is headed for N.G. camp. BMM is preparing for O.O. job on 'phone. ATD claims he was QSO Jupiter. CYW is building new receiver. BPW of Georgia has job in B'ham. BHY is rigging up an FB station. CIU passed O.R.S. exam. GN is building super-hets. Don't forget Convention at Mobile in Oct.

Traffic: W4SN 76 BJA 44 DS 32 APU 26 BOU 17  
BZG-BMM 6 ATD 3 KP 11.

EASTERN FLORIDA—SCM, Ray Atkinson, W4NN—ANY (studying in Washington) says "Hello, gang." AQU applies for O.P.S. CCR reports Sarasota gang getting results with new emergency portables. AYO has new 830. CFO can't kick his '04A. BHC is building emergency equipment. Be on watch for distress signals throughout next two "Storm" months. Get nets and emergency schedules in order. Jacksonville stations ('phone and c.w.) will stand by day and night to render assistance. BCZ, "Kingfish" of "The Meters of the Morning" 1.7-mc. Storm Net, reports hamfest will be held on Labor Day, sponsored by St. Petersburg A.R.C. For details write Phil McMassters, 212 9th St. North. ASR says BWZ is moving to Sanford. BQD has FB public address system. AS is doing some 56-mc. work. ASR and BCZ have new emergency rigs. CWV says, "Look for a strong ground wave. My antenna is down again." BRA applies for O.R.S. ACZ has healthy sig. DU, NN, and AGB are making night tests on 56 mc. AZB blew power transformer. Don't forget South-

eastern Division Convention, Mobile, Ala., Oct. 19th-20th.

Traffic: W4NN 64 AGB 6 ASR 7.

WESTERN FLORIDA—SCM, Edward J. Collins, W4MS—CDE rebuilt rack and panel. CTZ is c.c. BPI is rebuilding to c.c. AXP is U.S.N.R. control station. KB's hamfest was success: Hams present from 5 states, 2 districts. BGA is moving. CTA is building a.c. receiver. BFD is QRL Drug Store. VR located receiver trouble: was head 'phones. Hi, COG is collecting material for shack. ACB is at F.N.G. camp in Jax. QR holds midway down. AUW is on 14 mc. for summer. CRU gets out FB. CUR's signal has most sock in Section. CQF schedules AXP. AGS renews O.R.S. BSJ is improving FB7A. ASV has new '10. Mrs. 4QU had operation. QK and AUA are QRL. U.S.N.R. CBD sold his transmitter. MS is listening on 28 mc. CMJ is on 56 mc. AQA, ABK, BGB, ARV, CSI, CSR and CQP report. We regret to report the death of 4BKV of Tallahassee, killed in motor accident. He was a real ham and will be greatly missed. We're counting on West Fla. gang to attend Southeastern Convention in Mobile (Oct.) 100%.

Traffic: W4CDE 7 CTZ 5 BPI 1 AXP 12 KB 11 VR 3  
COG 7 QR 8 MS 14.

SOUTH CAROLINA—Assistant SCM, Bannie L. Stewart, W4CE—BDT is joining U.S.N.R. BNN has 1.7-mc. 'phone. BPD is on 14-mc. 'phone. CQQ plans to attend college this fall. GI is on 7 mc. BJC is on 3.5 mc. CPB is new Greenville ham. BFK is operating as portable in Danville, Va. CUS is Doc. Zeigler, an old-timer. CYG is now on the air. CZA is active on 3.5 mc. CYT is new Columbia ham. CVD is new Sumter ham. CYJ is coming on air in Georgetown. BNN built new 'phone per May QST. BAT is active on 7 mc. BQM is building new receiver. CSV is in U.S.N.R. CSV joined N.C.R. OW is chief opr. of Eastern Air Line Station WEEF. CE will be teaching high school in Georgetown this fall. Plans are underway for an all-S.C. QSO Contest to be held in late fall. Prizes to highest scorers. The Asst. S.C.M., ACE, would like to hear from every amateur in South Carolina each month. The address is Bannie L. Stewart, ACE, Georgetown, S. C.

Traffic: W4KV 419.

K5AF/WZAL is upholding the A.A.R.S. in the Canal Zone. Traffic handled for June-July period totalled 201.

#### WEST GULF DIVISION

NORTHERN TEXAS—SCM, Glen E. Talbutt, W5AUL—EGM, Terrell Club station, was on in a big way for Legion celebration. BII is going to T.N.G. camp. CPB joined A.A.R.S. and U.S.N.R. EES has sure-fire click eliminator. EEF is looking for traffic. CXS wants O.R.S. BCW is DXing. NW reports good ops on 7 mc. DXA has new s.s. super. CPT joined U.S.N.R. EIM is new Dallas ham. EEW wants schedules. EFC and EFN are up-and-coming hams. AZB moved to Childress. BZT is learning to pilot plane. ANU is ice man and crack shot with rifle! DAF has new c.c. rig. COK is in Chi. CDC is on 7 mc. CRP is still in "valley." DUR "broke into print." DM has 250 watts input. AJ intends to use 14-mc. 'phone. IT is on 'phone regularly. ARS is going on U.S.N.R. cruise. BKH, CFM, CPU, DAV and CMJ visited S.C.M. AW, AUJ, BCE and QA go to T.N.G. camp from Abilene. We need some good O.O.'s, O.P.S. and "active" O.R.S. Let's hear from you fellows.

Traffic: W5EGM 246 BII 106 ZD 85 CPB 74 EES 54  
DAA-AW 28 EEF 22 CXS 15 BCW 12 NW 10 CHJ 8  
IA 7 ARV-DXA 6 CPT 3 DAF 14 EEW 4.

OKLAHOMA—SCM, Carter L. Simpson, W5CEZ—CEZ took his vacation at home in bed with a case of mumps. Hi. BQZ blew one of his tens. EFK sends a combined traffic report for AEF, CVA and himself, who operate same station in N.G. Armory. AMT runs five schedules. EHP is new reporting station. CON is spending summer in Calif. DTC has nice schedule list. BKK puts out swell signal. AIR, an old-timer, is staging a come-back. BDX is playing with 25 and 56 mc. DDW has new 830 rig. EHS is new Tulsa ham. BWN is moving station to basement. CFA moved to Ponca City. CRS is new O.R.S. RF is active in N.C.R. BJG is rebuilding

receiver. AVK reports silent key, Lloyd Flood, W5DEY, exW5BLB, who was killed in dynamite explosion. DPK, Shawnee, reports for first month on the air. ASF is back after year's absence. EIA is new Ponca City ham. AVB takes vacation up north in lake country. ATB has pair of '52s.

Traffic: W5CEZ 266 EFK 91 BQZ 71 AMT 45 EHP 32 CON 25 DTC-BKK 13 AIR 11 BDX 7 BAR 6 EHS-DDW 5 BWN 2 CFA 1.

SOUTHERN TEXAS—SCM, David H. Calk, W5BHO—PF is spending summer at Tex. Univ. BWM reports EIS new call in San Ant.

Traffic: W5MN 209 BFA 69 BJ 15 MS 12 CVW 7 ADZ-PF 6 BWM 5 DPX 2 BEF 25.

NEW MEXICO—SCM, Dan W. De Lay, W5DUI—DUI is blasting new holes in rig for one k.w. DIG has been QRL power company. CSR has '52 final. EAO's family moved here from Pueblo. AOE and ASR are building new 'phone together. ELY is new ham in Olive, N.M. CSR, AOP, AUG and BNT are going to National Guard camp. AOP is taking portable to schedule DUI.

Traffic: W5DUI 15 DYV 58 CJP 58.

## CANADA

### MARITIME DIVISION

MARITIME—SCM, A. M. Crowell, VE1DQ—EA has five crystals. GR is rebuilding 1.7-mc. 'phone. FT is reliable P.E.I. 14-mc. station for traffic. DQ is completely rebuilding. ET has new rig practically finished. EP is still swatting the old DX station. AG is low-power battery station. AQ is active on 1.7-mc. 'phone. FB, QSL Mgr., reminds some of the active out-of-town stations to send their envelopes for cards.

Traffic: VE1EA 3 FT 4 GL 2.

### ONTARIO DIVISION

ONTARIO—SCM, S. B. Trainer, Jr., VE3GT—QK, new R.M., leads Section in traffic. JT, new Chief R.M. for Ontario, relayed VK message to H.R.H. Prince of Wales which IB got from VE4BF. DU is all set again for traffic. KC moved to VE2. GH blew 3 K.V.A. 2200 volt transformers on a Sunday; also '66s. MB visited SHQT and SISQ and was visited by VE3LB and XS. VD has amusement park QRM and N. SZ sends nice report. JV gets DX traffic. RM says, "any cards, ma?" QN is QRL YL. NO keeps good summer schedules. MX is out of town. ER has been logging much DX. WX left for summer cottage. SG handles centennial traffic; he was visited by SCKU. WT and WU are rebuilding to c.e. ZE and JD are newcomers. UF and UU have c.e. rig going FB. PN is coming on 14-mc. 'phone. GT and partner visited SDVC and Co. EM is settled at new QRA. OR is installing c.e. DV is active. QB and SA biked 50 miles to visit TF. RK did 55 miles to visit SA. IQ is on 'phone exclusively. MZ is new in Ancaster. WE moved to England. HP is rebuilding for busy winter. FP, KM, IQ and ZD are 56-mc. experimenting. WK keeps fine schedules. UY is about to go. II gets out well on 3.9-mc. 'phone. HA, HY, DD, GX, ET and CX are out with the forestry. RL, LN, OO and NU went fishing with IB. PM is building new store and shack. TB is trying 28 mc. Ontario Division Convention: Toronto, Oct. 5th and 6th. Write S.C.M. for particulars. SA spent couple of weeks at Lachute, P. Q., as guest of 2FR and 2GH.

Traffic: VE3QK 421 JT 103 IB 28 DU 3 DW 1 MB 7 VD 8 NO 94 MX 3 ER 6 WX 88 ZV 6 BZ 5 SG 113 GR 1 UU 3 GT 80 QX 14 IQ 2 WK 65. VE9AL 8.

### QUEBEC DIVISION

QUEBEC—SCM, J. A. Robertson, VE2GA—Presidents of M.A.R.C. and S.S.R.C. both added to family during month. DU, a girl; GA, a boy. EE contacted VE2DQ in England. New receivers at GO, DG, EE, BR host top of mast in recent storm. HK and IE: rebuilding. HN has portable on yacht. CX and CO are experimenting on 56 mc. DX is worse with "YLitis"; HP infected also. CA has birthday party. BT sends family to country

and disturbs the ether badly. DR now has a monitor!! CF, DJ and AY: selling out. BG lost mast when runaway horse and rig became entangled. HH is going c.e. AP had big christening party for new rig. AC is on regularly on 28 mc. BU keeps excellent schedules. IHPV visited CG. Welcome to IT. Nice letters from EC, HG and BK. Believe BK (age 15) is our youngest ham. Mrs. CA, BE, CA, BT and BG visit S.C.M. HG requires only Asia for W.A.C. CH clicks "J" for W.A.C.

Traffic: VE2HG 6 BK-EC 2 CA 14 BU 54 AC 20 DG 38 GA 2 DR 16 BG 20 BB 6 CG 9 CO 3 GO 2.

### VANALTA DIVISION

ALBERTA—SCM, J. Smalley, Jr., VE4GD—OA uses M.O.P.A. KD is becoming a traffic hound. LX will feed any visitors strawberries and real cream. HI, QX is getting some DX. HM worked his first J.

Traffic: VE4OA 5 KD 7 KG 8 LX-BZ 32 QX-HM 3. BRITISH COLUMBIA—SCM, R. K. Town, VE5AC—HC operates at Y.M.C.A. camp. JH migrates to 3.5 mc. for traffic. FG hopes to schedule Bedaux Expedition. KN schedules JK on 1.7-mc. 'phone. AL plans low power rig. DB, Y.M.C.A. camp station, helped locate missing launch. EU holidays among W6 and W7 gang. AS takes transmitter to church camp at Tunstall Bay. JK makes BPL on 1.7-mc. 'phone. HP is arranging station for Victoria Y.M.C.A. EZ hits a pair of tens with a quarter k.w. CV got traffic bug. EP has c.e. rig going FB. DF is commercial operating. HU plans more power. BC will be on 56 mc. soon. GT handles traffic and press for Mount Chirillon Expedition, Alaska. AC is signal NCO at artillery camp in Alberta. FC helps Y.M.C.A. camp traffic. HW just married. BW is QRL picking fruit. DC visits Vancouver. BL saved a baby girl from drowning. IR is operating at Victoria Y.M.C.A. camp. IC is going to help IR. BR holds schedules. GE returns from Stanford. JC has P.P. finals final. JL rebuilt to c.e. EC is building c.e. rig.

Traffic: VE5HC 21 JH 2 FG 16 KN 9 AL 4 DB 231 EU 16 AS 170 JK 189 HP 48 EZ 40 CV 141 EP 13 DF 38 HU 36 BC 7 GT 25 JO 8 AC 133 FC 6S.

### PRAIRIE DIVISION

MANITOBA—SCM, Reg. Strong, VE4GC—KU has 211 in final. BG has Tri-tet. IU is on 7 mc. FN is leaving for England. AG has been on holidays. LH is looking for DX QSLs. KY forwarded message to Prince of Wales. MW is looking for traffic. DU tested out YVW. MV has a 50 pushing a pair of 50-watters. IT has FB Class B modulator. NW gets DX QSLs. GC needs VYW to keep him on the air. NM has a 59 modulated. NT tried a rig at the lake. QN holds out on 3.5 mc. IA is new station. HZ is rebuilding for pair of 50-watters. MY has transmitter at the lake. LL has XYL operate the 'phone. CQ, GL, KX and FU are on 14-mc. 'phone. Active stations: PC, QY, RA, QD, TJ, CD, LT, RE, TV, and QA. RO has c.e.

Traffic: VE4LB 13 GC 6 RO 5 TJ 4 PC-KY 2.

SASKATCHEWAN—SCM, Wilfred Skafte, VE4EL—CM gets great results from c.e. 150-watt c.w. and 'phone rig on 3524 kes. OE is operating 7C1J at Ladder Lake Air base. KE has dandy 'phone. For speedy traffic handling, remember that EH schedules Brandon and Saskatoon; PM Winnipeg and Edmonton; EL Weyburn, Saskatoon and Buchanan; OC Winnipeg, Regina and Swift Current; GR Regina, Vancouver and N.B.; ND Lethbridge and Regina. Your S.C.M. visited KE, ES, OC, GA, ML and DI. GA and EU had nice time at Lethbridge Hamfest and spent week with 5FL. ML has c.e. 'phone on 1.7 mc. RI has YLitis. QF is welcomed back home. PW increased power. RB has new receiver. QZ is handling traffic. MA burnt out power supplies. LI is building Tri-tet. JB is trying 7 mc. MH is on 7 mc. QF had real time on West Indies cruise as opr. on H.M.C.S. Vancouver, visited 6BZE and 6G8N, also VPMTC at Port of Spain. PM is c.e. EI is on 'phone: 3520 kes.

Traffic: VE4GR 37 MH 35 EH 27 EI 20 GA 13 QZ 12 PM-CM 8 LI 7 ML 4 FW 2.



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## Probationary Period? Yes!

Riverhead, Long Island

Editor, QST:

I should like to take advantage of the invitation in the editorial columns of July QST for discussion on the question of restricting the activities of beginners in amateur radio. There is no doubt that we are in dire need of some sort of restrictions. A few hours of scanning the high-frequency amateur bands should convince almost anyone.

In any highly specialized field of endeavor it is common practice to put beginners on a probationary period during which they gain practical experience. Consider, for instance, a medical student. When he graduates from college, do they hand him a thermometer and a bag of instruments and let him run wild? . . . Before a doctor can go out into practice he must serve as an interne in a hospital for about two years. In this period he learns to put his theoretical knowledge into actual use. Suppose you wanted to become an airplane pilot. Would you study a set of more or less standard questions and answers, take an examination, and, having passed, step proudly into the cockpit of a plane and "give it the gun"? Of course not! Yet in amateur radio thousands of fellows who don't know what it's all about are going to let the air without any previous experience. . . .

It may safely be said that about ninety percent of the amateurs at the time of passing the examination for an amateur operator's license know practically nothing about radio. True, they have satisfactorily answered the questions asked, but what does that mean? Nothing at all. Anyone with a good memory should be able to pass the exams whether he knows what he is talking about or not. It isn't a test of one's knowledge of the subject. Many 'phone amateurs in the 4-mc. and 14-mc. bands, who are supposed to have superior technical knowledge, seem to lack a thorough understanding of what is going on in their sets. Just listen to the twaddle bounding back and forth in these 'phone bands some time when you feel in the mood to be amused. Even amateurs of many years' experience sometimes have the most fantastic ideas of the simplest radio phenomena.

New amateurs should certainly be kept out of the DX and the traffic bands until they have become proficient in handling a station. The best of equipment in the hands of an unskilled operator

may cause unnecessary havoc, and most beginners start out with the flimsiest of makeshift apparatus. It is just such stations that are likely to have notes covering half the band, making life miserable for everyone else, or, worse yet, to be operating outside the bands and giving amateur radio a black eye.

It is well known that in most foreign countries certain restrictions are put on the activities of beginners in amateur radio. Probably the most familiar example is in the case of England, where, before an amateur can go on the air at all, he must operate for a given period with an artificial antenna. This arrangement gives him all the advantages of actually being able to tune and operate a transmitter without the disadvantages of improper radiation. There is no way to become accustomed to the feel of handling apparatus except by actual practice. However, some discretion should be used in selecting the place for this practice. If you were going to learn to drive a car you wouldn't pick New York's busy Times Square as a nice place to do it. You would naturally go where there was as little traffic as possible, where you wouldn't be so likely to get into trouble.

. . . The ideal solution for minimizing interference from beginners is, of course, the artificial antenna arrangement. However, rather than to impose quite such a drastic restriction on beginners, I should recommend that, after passing an examination such as is now given, they be issued a provisional operator's license, for a period of two years. This license should allow operation in the 1.8-mc. band only. At the end of one year, but not before, the holder of such a license, providing he can prove a certain satisfactory amount of actual operating activity, should be eligible for a practical examination. This should be an actual test in operating technique, to show whether or not the candidate is fit to be allowed in the higher frequency bands. Upon successfully completing the test he should be issued a regular operator's license.

. . . I believe that a procedure such as outlined above would tend to raise the general standard of amateur radio. To open our crowded bands to anyone who can pass the present exams is exceedingly undesirable, but to allow the same privileges to the holder of a class C license, where the chances of dishonesty in taking the exam are so great, is a rank crime.

—Arthur M. Braaten, W2BSR

## No!

4 Hemlock Place, New Rochelle, N. Y.

Editor, *QST*:

After reading your editorial in the July issue asking for a discussion of the problem of occupation of the amateur bands by new amateurs, I must raise my voice against the suggestion appearing therein.

Restriction of operation in the higher frequency bands, merely because the operator is inexperienced, seems to me to be unjust. In my opinion, the larger part of the interference to be found in the 7- and 14-mc. bands is caused not by new men, but those in the game long enough to know better. Almost invariably, the new man is the one who has taken to heart the now famous precautions and rules for obtaining a p.d.c. wave free from annoying wabulation, and can quote *QST* and the Handbook on this question. He is enthusiastic, and perhaps the greatest desire he has is to work some DX. Should he be denied this thrill by being relegated to a band which is less desirable from this standpoint? No, OM, he deserves more welcome than that. There's room in these bands for every ham who is willing to put out a decent signal. QRM resulting from overoccupation of the bands must be answered by a demand for more space, use of more selective receivers, and a little courtesy and consideration for the other fellow.

If we must resort to discipline in the form of restriction, a good plan might be to require any man who has received a notice from the authorities on account of gross infraction of the laws, to spend a probationary period where he may repent and improve his equipment.

I heartily approve the method used to restrict 'phone operation in the prize 'phone allotments. This same method might be used to advantage for the c.w. man. Let him demonstrate his technical ability by examination, and let him answer the questions correctly that assure the licensing authority that he knows what causes bad signals and that he knows how to overcome them; but keep these examinations open to the new man. If he passes, let him go immediately into the DX bands and not into the less efficient lower frequency bands to let his enthusiasm cool and keep him from making frequent foreign contacts.

I believe the majority of the men feel the way I do about this question. They will put up with crowded bands so long as these bands are not cluttered up with rotten, illegal, selfish signals, for which there is absolutely no excuse in these days of crystal control, stabilized oscillators and low cost filtering devices.

—John J. Ormston, Jr., W2CFN

## What the Senators Said

St. David's, Penna.

Editor, *QST*:

I have every desire to avoid acrimonious discussion with any member of the amateur fraternity, but I feel it my duty to take exception to a statement appearing in the unsigned "radio-torial comment" of the magazine "Radio" in its June issue. . . .

The statement referred to appears in the second column. Reference is made in this column to verbatim remarks of several senators as reported in the "Congressional Record" of the Legislative Day of April 26th. This is a very indefinite way of indicating the actual date when the remarks were made in the Senate, for, as a matter of fact, due to recesses taken from day to day, the Legislative Day of April 26th continued over many days, namely, from April 26th to May 9th, inclusive. If the writer of this editorial had knowledge of what actually occurred, it would have been much more accurate to have made reference to the date of the "Congressional Record" upon which these remarks were made, which was May 1st, the date the Madrid Telecommunication Treaty was acted upon in the Senate and the Resolution of Ratification was agreed to.

The statement referred to in the editorial reports that when the Madrid treaty ratification came up for discussion in the Senate, several senators stated that many amateurs had protested the new restrictions, "but since the organization they believed was speaking for the amateurs did not oppose the treaty, they had come to the conclusion that it should be ratified."

No senator made any such statement during the treaty discussion referred to. All the remarks made upon the floor of the Senate regarding protests of amateurs appear in the "Congressional Record" of May 1st, the exact copy of which remarks follows, to wit:

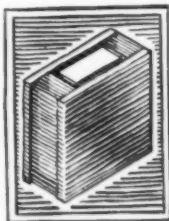
"Mr. PITTMAN. Mr. President, this matter has been under consideration since 1925. About that time there was held in Washington an international convention dealing largely with the same subject. However, there were certain regulations provided by that convention, dealing particularly with telegraphic communication, which were opposed in the United States. First, permanent committees were appointed to work out the problems. At the meetings articles of convention were worked out, which were then taken up at Madrid. At Madrid the convention now under consideration was adopted.

"I may say that by this convention it is intended to regulate the three forms of communication—the telegraph, cables and wireless. The convention has been very carefully worked out for the purpose of preventing interference in the various countries, and facilitating communications and deliveries as between connecting companies. It has also dealt with the bands or wavelengths so as to overcome any conflict as between different nationalities.

"I may further say that only one thing was brought up before the committee that caused the committee to hesitate with respect to this treaty, and that was the protest by the amateur broadcasters. They felt they were discriminated

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In spite of Jim Lamb's articles in past issues of *QST* about single signal reception and quartz crystal resonators for use therewith, we still get enough query letters each week to indicate quite definitely that few indeed of the general run of amateurs have a thorough understanding of many of the essential details necessary for the proper functioning of this type of circuit.

Perhaps the greatest misunderstanding centers around the resonator crystal and its holder. It is surprising to us how many amateurs do not realize that the crystal must not be under pressure, as in the case of the crystal used in an oscillator. For resonator purposes, we have found

an air gap of approximately .003" to be essential. In order to properly maintain this air gap, we have found it most practical to separate the holder plates by means of two carefully ground glass parallel bars or spacers, the crystal itself being placed between these two spacer bars. From our correspondence, it would seem that many of the amateurs assume that we are using three "trick" crystals, apparently concluding that the spacer bars are quartz crystals.

In an earlier model filter, we used a bakelite spacer ring surrounding the crystal. This ring was carefully ground so as to provide the .003" air gap between the crystal proper and the plates, and it was startling how many amateurs complained to us that upon opening their crystal holders they were surprised to find that we had been careless in using a spacer that was thicker than the crystal and consequently prevented the holder plates from touching the crystal — how they had to "file down" the bakelite spacer ring until it was thinner than the crystal!!

Of course the necessity for carefully washing the crystal in carbon tetrachloride after handling is just as important as with transmitting crystals. While not thoroughly realized, this point has apparently gotten over better than some others.

Then there is the matter of polarity of the crystal holder. When using a holder with horizontal plates, it is important that the holder be inserted in its socket the same way at all times; otherwise it is necessary to re-balance the bridge circuit. The necessity for this will readily be understood when we realize that the capacity between the bottom plate of the holder and the metal chassis is quite large, relative to the capacity between the upper plate and the chassis, and consequently will have a very appreciable effect upon the setting of the neutralizing, or balancing, condenser.

Of course, the importance of having the I.F. amplifier lined up and tuned to exactly the crystal frequency cannot be stressed too much. If the I.F. amplifier is lined up to a slightly different frequency, there will be a marked attenuation of all signals when switching from the straight super to single signal. When properly lined up, the well-designed Lamb type of single signal filter circuit will cause an attenuation to a pure D.C. signal of but 3 db. Of course the attenuation to a modulated signal is extremely great, due to the tremendous selectivity and will vary with the setting of the selectivity control.

We are very much sold on the merits of the single signal receiver for c.w. reception and are incorporating in our new De Luxe ham receiver, that we mentioned on this page last month, the same type of Lamb single signal filter circuit we are now using in our FBXA and AGSX receivers.

We have, however, designed a new resonator and crystal holder which is molded of our own low-loss R-39 material. This holder, together with a slightly revised crystal, has been in experimental production and test for several months and will be included as standard equipment in the FBXA'S, as well as in the new receivers this Fall.

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against. They were heard, however, in the matter, and those who were inclined to support them very frankly came to the conclusion that under this treaty the amateurs received protection such as they did not have before, and their supporters thereupon withdrew their objection to the treaty. Their protest was based on the ground that at the present time amateur broadcasters, who have accomplished so much for the science, are allowed in most places to send messages to a third person. We have made no objection to that in this country, but in most places in Europe radio broadcasting is owned and controlled by the government, and they do not desire the competition by amateurs in the absence of regulations governing it and in the absence of provision for licensing. On the other hand, without this treaty, which does allocate or set aside so many bands or cycles for the use of the amateur broadcaster, they would have no protection whatever in the use of radio, but might be stopped in any country whose government saw fit to stop them.

"So I feel that the only protest that arose has been absolutely satisfied, so far as the committee is concerned. I may say that the committee brought before them a number of experts of the Government who explained this matter in detail and completely. I think that there can be no objection to the treaty."

"Mr. WHITE. Mr. President, because of the fact that at one time I expected to be a member of the delegation which negotiated the pending treaty, and because of the further fact that I attended many sessions of those engaged in the preparation of the United States proposals presented to the Conference which drafted the treaty, perhaps, it is not inappropriate for me to say a word at this time in behalf of its ratification.

"The treaty in some respects represents a very great advance over international regulation of communications. Until this treaty was negotiated, although wire and radio communication had been coming technically closer and closer together through the years, there had been separate agreements dealing with the two forms of communication—a wire convention, to which the United States had never been a party, and a radio convention to which the United States had been a party since 1912, I believe. In the pending convention both forms of communication are dealt with. I may say that the plan of this convention responds to the thought and purpose and to the proposal of the United States Government and of the delegates of the United States at this international gathering.

"The convention is composed, first of all, of provisions which deal only with the general principles relating to communications. It next has an annex embodying general regulations which seek to amplify and make effective the general principles contained in the convention. Then there is a second annex dealing with what in this country our communications companies are disposed to regard as managerial or operating functions. Such authorities are all grouped in this annex to which the United States is not a party, the United States adhering only to the terms of the convention and to the general regulations.

"I am fully persuaded that the delegates who represented the United States at this conference dealt with the subject matter with intelligence and with the utmost regard for the interests of the United States. I think we may safely ratify what they, under the guidance of our State Department, have worked out; and I concur in the hope of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. PITTMAN) that the treaty may have the approval of this body."

"Mr. DILL. Mr. President, I merely wish to say a word about the treaty. I had early in the session a considerable number of complaints from amateur radio operators and organizations of amateurs interested in radio, but the Senator from Nevada has explained that the hearings entirely satisfied these amateur radio complainants, as I understand."

"Mr. PITTMAN. Mr. President, I cannot go so far, probably, as to say that it satisfied all of them, but those on the committee who were looking after their interests and caused the hearing to be had advised them that they thought the treaty afforded to them more protection than they ever previously had."

"Mr. DILL. I may say that since the hearings I have had no further complaint, so I take it that they are satisfied."

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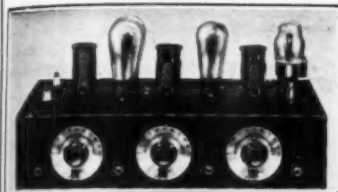
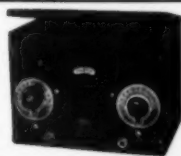
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"Mr. PITTMAN. I think they are."

"Mr. DILL. Aside from that, I have had no objection, and I think, as the Senator from Maine has said, there is much to be said in favor of this convention."

"Mr. WHITE. Mr. President, will the Senator yield?"

"Mr. DILL. I yield to the Senator from Maine."

"Mr. WHITE. I, too, have had representations from amateurs with respect to this treaty. I recall that in 1927 the amateurs were greatly disturbed at that time as to the provision to be made for them in the then pending radio treaty. The delegates from the United States then did everything possible in behalf of the amateurs of this country. I also feel sure that our delegation did everything possible for them at this Madrid Convention. I am fully persuaded, Mr. President, that if it were not for the provisions inserted herein in their behalf, the amateurs of the world and the amateurs of America would have, so far as international correspondence goes, a very much more difficult time than they now face under the terms of this treaty. In other words, I think, as does the Senator from Nevada, that this is a shield and a protection to them in their international interests."

"Mr. DILL. That shield and that protection, however, come largely from foreign countries rather than from the Government of our own country. I think that the governments of foreign countries have been more unfriendly to amateurs, probably, than has our own Government."

"Mr. WHITE. I think the Senator is quite right, and when I refer to a 'shield and a protection' I mean that the United States has secured from foreign countries concessions in behalf of amateurs which could not be had except under the terms of this treaty."

"Mr. DILL. I feel that with the continued development, the enlarged development, in fact, of the use of the short wave the amateur's claim becomes even more worthy of consideration than when the number of frequencies available were fewer than they now are. Personally, I am strongly in favor of the ratification of the treaty."

"The PRESIDING OFFICER. If there be no amendment, the convention will be reported to the Senate."

"The convention was reported to the Senate without amendment."

From the above it must be apparent that the editorial comment referred to is a distorted report of what actually took place. If there were any further remarks made on the floor of the Senate in relation to amateur protests, a most careful search on my part has failed to disclose them.

All I ask is that you, or any other amateur, compare the copy of the verbatim text, as given above, with the statements made in the column of "Radio" to which I have heretofore made reference, and I am confident that you, or they, will realize how distorted the statement made in "Radio" actually is. There has been entirely too much misrepresentation of facts concerning the Madrid Treaty, and it is time that the truth be known.

If I had not been following the course of legislative affairs at Washington so closely, as I have over a number of years beginning in 1911, I might hesitate to make these definite assertions, but I feel that I am in a position to speak authoritatively concerning them.

—Charles H. Stewart, W3ZS

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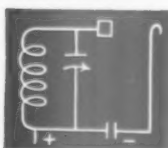
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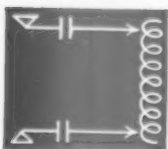


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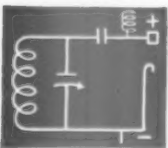
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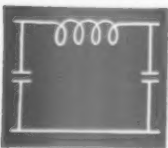
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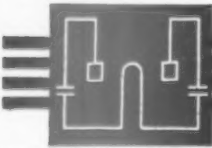
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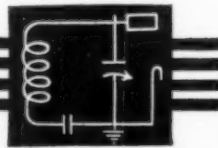
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last week to find two heard cards from Los Angeles reporting my 28-mc. signals on days when I was 270 miles from my transmitter! And to-day a third card came, again reporting my signals, and this time R8. I wouldn't care if I had never been on ten meters, but gosh, I've been plugging away there for three years, and believe me, I highly value the few reports and worked cards I have received. One of the fellows down south later worked this pirate using my call, and he says the culprit is using PP '10's and a SW-3 receiver. Imagine! after I've cut and cursed these many moons to get my crystal rig down there and to get a receiver that would work to my satisfaction, this fiend comes along and right off the bat starts being heard and working fellows!

It really wouldn't be bad, but the crowning ignominy is the fact that all his work is done in the evenings when there is the least possible chance for 28-mc. DX!

Here're a few points, OM: get crystal as soon as you can. Preferably about 28150, since mine is 28040, and I wouldn't want to QRM myself on the East Coast. Get on in the daytime, preferably week-ends, and listen closest when 14-mc. signals have great strength, or when the skip on 14 mc. is only about five or six hundred miles. Arrange your antenna preferably for low-angle radiation, but most anything will work. Tell any DX you work that you will QSL, and when I get their card I will be glad to send them one, because, after all, I am interested in whom I QSO. And finally, send as well as you can—I'd like to become an A-1 operator.

—Byron Goodman, W6CAL

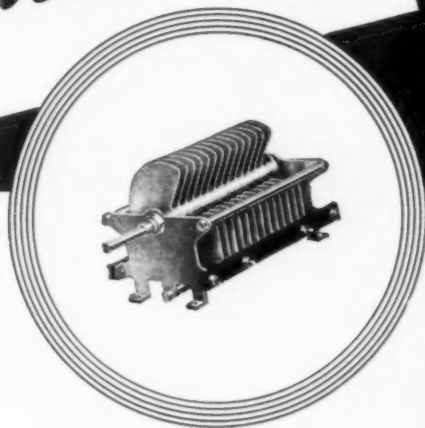
## International Contest Results

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tion of it. A comparison, by W4MR: Getting a DX QSO through the solid wall of QRM and intense competition was like carving out a place to stand on the side of a solid wall of granite! W5AUC accomplished his aim—WAC. W6CXW made WAC in 3 3/4 hours on 7 mc. W6CVZ and W6ADP split operating time, but their scores are not to be sneezed at! The log book at W6EWC, and in many other shacks, we'll wager, looks like a call book after the contest. Not a single CQ left W6GTM; all QSOs resulted from station calls. W6EYC heard a long list of Europeans and Africans. The world at its worst: W6CQI's filter departed this life, and no radio store within 75 miles. W6AOD worked J21N at 2:35 p.m. Pacific Time, March 12th—he asks which way the signals traveled?! We nominate for the "ham with the best sense of humor" W6DNY, who upon reporting a score of 3 remarked, "I attribute my great success to my great perseverance"! Found! The best time to operate: Immediately after a DX contest . . . when the active hams are in the arms of Morpheus recuperating from the encounter. W6BNH is located at a Hydro-Electric plant on the Stanislaus River, which cuts through a canyon with walls from 1500 to 2000 feet high; his signals have to make some jump before they start getting anywhere; and in receiving he has

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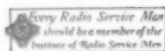


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PA 4.....	4 lbs.	2.35	7	PS 4.....	7 lbs.	1.35
PA 5.....	5 lbs.	2.45	8 3/4	PS 5.....	8 lbs.	1.45
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highest scoring YF operator. W9JO heard 41 different countries. Losses? Everyone had 'em. W9DFY lost ten pounds, the friendliness of his YF, \$4.00 on bets, and a perfectly good milliammeter. W9AUH landed a J, something he had been trying to do for eight long years. W9GVL's list of calls heard is an inspiration for anyone. W9DQD chose the serial number 321 because the first ZL he ever worked was a 3, the second a 2, the third a 1. In the 1933 tests he took his number the same way from the first three VKs worked. W9GBJ started the contest using the same \$65 '10 that he used in the Sweepstakes! Then half way through the contest his YF presented him with a new 800 . . . nice YF! W9CYA didn't have to ask for any repeats in numbers, nor did any of the stations worked by him! W9IH didn't send a single CQ throughout the whole contest. CETA is recommended as one of the best operators in the tests by W9IH. W9FYY worked all continents twice. W9BIB can now boast WAC, thanks to J2GY. 80% of the stations heard at W9ELL were worked. W9GDH worked all continents twice, within twenty hours, and added five new countries, his total 62. W9CPQ worked all continents in eight hours, and his total countries worked was boosted to 42. W9DHM heard 45 countries. The serial numbers heard the most by W9FO were 222 and 777 (six stations each). VE1EP added two new countries. VE2AX took a week of his vacation to participate. VE2HG made over 200 calls for his 13 QSOs, but didn't call a single CQ. VE3WA heard J2IN on 14 mc. from 4 to 6 p.m. E.S.T.

—E. L. B.

## Field Day Results

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The Starved Rock Radio Club, W9IEP-W9NIU, made a mad dash 350 miles north to Bear Lake, Michigan. Got a great kick hearing W9MKS, another portable from our own club. Hope to have R9 sig. everywhere next year.

W6DAN (A1) and W6EFK (MB) kept W6FFC on the air in a small cottage at San Diego. Eagerly looking forward to the next. In these days of high power the Field Days are refreshing. Operating ability was stressed, and it was great fun. W1AWY and W1BLZ were at Holbrook Pond, East Holden, Me.

Ludington Amateur Radio Association: CA, PLO, HG, RO, BO, JM and TP all operated W8HXT. Mosquitoes were bad! A generous supply of Flit helped. Maybe it oiled up several wrists as well!—W8IFQ.

—F. E. H.

## Typical Technical Questions

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will be the maximum capacity of the condenser plus that portion of the minimum capacity contributed by the circuit. Thus the maximum capacity will be 165  $\mu\text{fd}$ . This gives a capacity ratio, minimum to maximum, of 5.5 to 1. Taking the square root of this ratio gives a frequency

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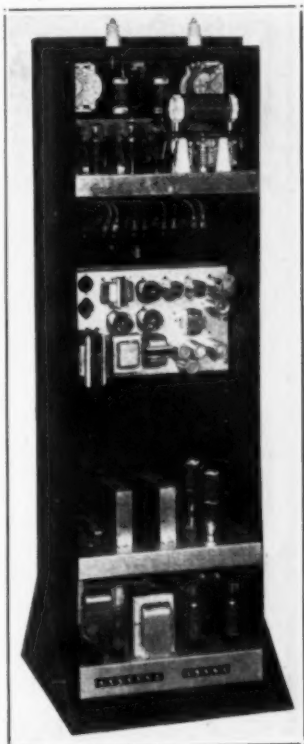
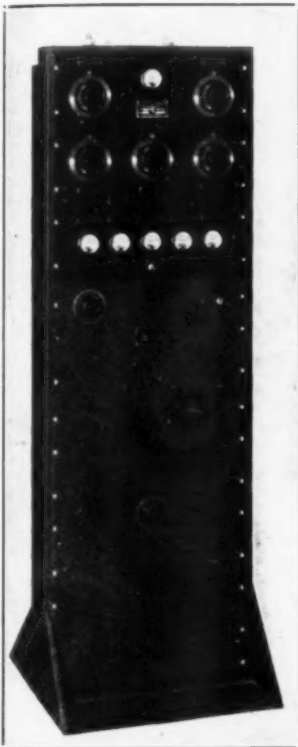
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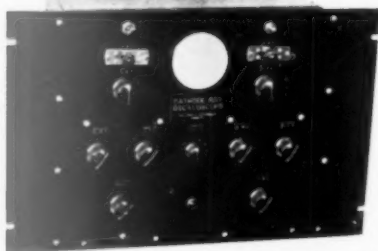
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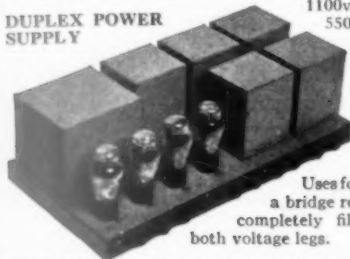
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— D. H. M.

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Date	Schedule	Frequency	Date	Schedule	Frequency
Sept. 5	BB	W9XAN	Oct. 3	BB	W9XAN
Sept. 7	BB	W6XX	Oct. 5	BB	W6XX
	A	W9XAN		A	W9XAN
Sept. 8	BX	W6XX	Oct. 6	BX	W6XX
Sept. 9	C	W6XX	Oct. 7	C	W6XX
Sept. 14	A	W6XX	Oct. 12	A	W6XX
Sept. 21	B	W9XAN	Oct. 19	B	W9XAN
	B	W6XX		B	W6XX
Sept. 26	C	W9XAN	Oct. 24	C	W9XAN
Sept. 28	B	W9XAN	Oct. 26	B	W9XAN
	A	W6XX		A	W6XX
			Oct. 31	BB	W9XAN

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Time (p.m.)	Sched. and Freq. (kc.) A	B	Time (p.m.)	Sched. and Freq. (kc.) BB	C
8:00	3500	7000	4:00	7000	14,000
8:08	3600	7100	4:08	7100	14,100
8:16	3700	7200	4:16	7200	14,200
8:24	3800	7300	4:24	7300	14,300
8:32	3900		4:32		14,400
8:40	4000				
Time (a.m.)	Sched. & Freq. (kc.) BX				
6:00	7000				
6:08	7100				
6:16	7200				
6:24	7300				

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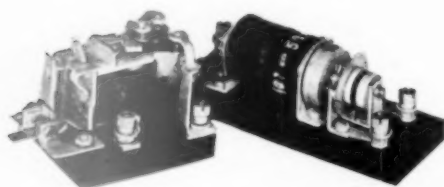
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## Design of the Voltage Divider

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condenser or other component whose operation may be impaired by heat. Likewise, the resistors should be kept away from wood or other material which might char or even catch fire. It is a good idea to mount the units on the supporting clamps with which resistors of this type are usually equipped.

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—J. J. L.

## I.A.R.U. News

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two hours with three watts input! At the time he was in the vicinity of Oslo . . . . Amateurs travelling past the Azores (steamers of the Cosulich and other lines always stop there) are cordially invited to drop in on H. J. Smith, CT2BK, at Rua do Pedro Homem 63, Ponta Delgada, S. Miguel, for a visit — a welcome is assured . . . . New members of the TBTOC Club: Roy C. Corderman, W3ZD, and H. T. Tuin, PA0DC; E. H. Fritschel, W2DC, also achieved his membership with the aid of PA0DC . . . . Latest QSL addresses: for Roumania, Radio Club Craiova, Dr. Alexander Savopol, YP5AS, Pres., Str. Rosetti 6, Craiova, Roumania; for Uruguay, Uruguayan Short Wave Code Gang, Box 37, Montevideo, Uruguay . . . .

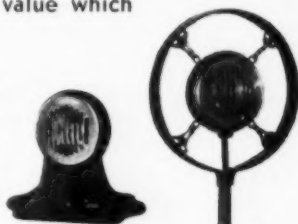
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## The Simple Solution of Break-In

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"underload circuit breaker," would open, thereby automatically shutting off all plate voltage and bringing succor to the scene in the nick of time. Also, should the switch accidentally be closed before the filament switch, the plate voltage would not be applied until the "circuit breaker" closed, which in practice gives the tube filaments about a three-second jump on the plate voltage. This, as any clever rascal can see, is far better than no jump at all.

Thus it is that all conditions for extremely satisfactory break-in operation with crystal control are very easily fulfilled with a little thought and logical application of the result. The monologue QSO is dying a slow death but a sure one, and why any attempt should be made to prolong its life under present conditions is a mystery. Each part of an amateur station should operate in coordination with every other part, and this cannot be accomplished when the transmitter and receiver are getting in each other's way.

### MORE KINKS

There are one or two other features incorporated in the installation here that, while they have nothing particular to do with break-in operation, might be worth mentioning.

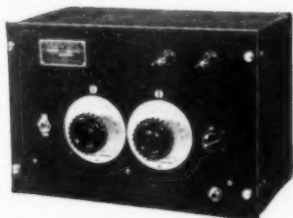
One, is the use of protective fuses in the secondary of every power transformer. Flashlight bulbs are a lot cheaper than tubes, meters, and transformers, and it's an ancient stunt. If one gets a peek at the cartons the bulbs come in, they may be chosen by current ratings at which they will burn brilliantly (which ratings, by the way, have nothing to do with their voltage ratings—unless one knows the make as well). And they burn out at a bit more than rated current. Both Westinghouse and G. E. print the current consumption of their bulbs on the small cartons, and three handy ratings are 0.150 amp., 0.300 amp., and 0.5 amp. When screwed into miniature porcelain sockets, the voltage they will stand after blowing is both remarkable and most gratifying. Such fusing for the occasion is well worth the time and cost of installation, many, many times over—and completely repaid the first time one blows. For example, this type of fuse rated at 150 ma. is shown connected in the center tap of the grid-bias unit transformer. Don't worry—if a filter condenser shorts out the instantaneous plate current is well over that.

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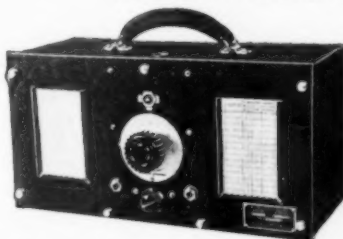
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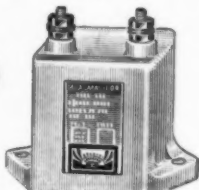
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### APPENDIX

$$I_p = K \left( E_g + \frac{E_p}{\mu} \right)^{3/2} \quad (1)$$

where  $I_p$  = plate current

$K$  = a constant

$E_g$  = grid voltage

$\mu$  = amplification factor = 3.5 for the Type 45.

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{E_p}{\mu} &= \frac{200}{3.5} = 57.2 \text{ volts (negative)} \\ E_p &= 257.2 + E_g \\ -E_g &= 257.2 - E_p \\ E_p &= \left[ \left( \frac{I_p}{K} \right)^{2/3} + 257.2 - E_p \right] \mu. \end{aligned}$$

Substituting representative values in Equation (1),

$K = 0.000614$  for two Type 45's in parallel

and

$$E_p = 0.777 \left[ \left( \frac{I_p}{0.000614} \right)^{2/3} + 275.2 \right]$$

### \* The Convention Season

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auditorium of the Naval Armory—and that's some bunch of hams!

The proceedings started off with a virile address of welcome by the mayor of Perth Amboy, augmented by remarks on the part of the president of the Chamber of Commerce. Then Henry J. Kelley, president of the T.C.R.A. and hamfest general chairman, made a brief opening speech. (One of the best features of this hamfest, as a matter of fact, was the brevity of all the speeches.) The Nomads, a musical group of hams (we were



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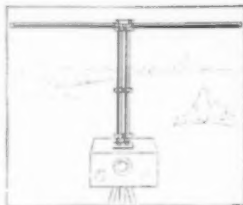
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The club contest, with representatives of the associated clubs as contestants, was a high spot of the evening. Parts for an emergency Hartley transmitter using a Type '30 tube and powered with two B batteries were given each contestant in a well-wrapped package. The one who first lit a flashlight bulb in a loop of wire with his assembled transmitter won—and the job was done in something like eight minutes. It was a remarkable spectacle; the first time this reporter, at least, has seen a ham use his teeth as well as his hands in building a radio set, for example.

Following a talk by Mr. Bailey of Cornell-Dubilier, there were more contests for the 'phone and c.w. men. The long-winded 'phone men were required to blow balloons until they burst, the first "bang" acclaiming the winner. The rag-chewing c.w. men "ate" strips of cloth several feet long depending from a central rod. After this, Dr. Haigis discussed his transceiver in impromptu fashion, the Nomads inserted incidental music while a man pounded himself with a couple of pairs of spoons in ratchety rhythm, and John Reinartz took another thousand people with him to the far North along with MacMillan and Byrd. The program wound up with remarks by Director Fuld and local A.R.R.L. field officials.

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—C. B. D.

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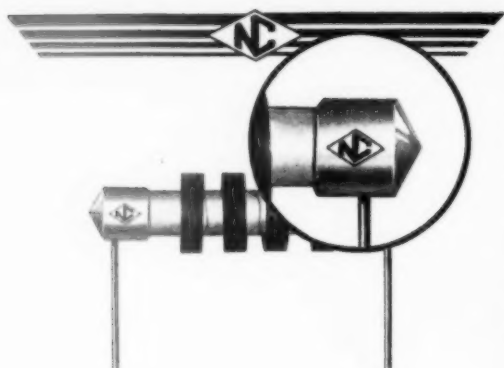
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